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## JAPAN IS FACING GREATEST CRISIS IN HER HISTORY, DECLARES KONOYE: CAN ONLY BE MET BY THE COMPLETE MOBILISATION OF NATION'S POWER

### Flights Between Alaska, Kamchatka Increasingly Significant: Paper's Comment On "Great North Circle"

"JAPAN IS FACING THE GREATEST CRISIS IN HER HISTORY," declared Prince Fumimaro Konoye, Prime Minister of Japan, when he addressed a conference of Government leaders and representatives of the country's war industries, says Reuter Bulletin.

Prince Konoye added: "THE CRISIS CAN ONLY BE MET BY THE COMPLETE MOBILISATION OF THE NATION'S POWER."

"ANY EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH A WARPLANE SERVICE BETWEEN THE AMERICAN AND ASIATIC CONTINENTS WILL BE VIEWED BY THE AUTHORITIES CHARGED WITH THE DEFENCE OF JAPAN AS A QUESTION OF FIRST RATE INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANCE," says the JAPAN TIMES AND ADVERTISER in an editorial entitled "GREAT NORTH CIRCLE."

The newspaper points to the possibility of future dangers arising from the recent flight of two Soviet planes across the Bering Sea to America.

### SINGAPORE GOVERNOR LOOKS TO FUTURE IN CONFIDENT COURAGE

### Generous Gesture Of Chinese In Malaya

SINGAPORE, Sept. 3 (Reuter)—"At the beginning of this third year of war, let us determine that we will, each one of us, make war to the utmost of our strength," said H.E. the Governor of the Straits Settlements, SIR SHENTON THOMAS, in a broadcast.

After reviewing the achievements of the Navy, Army and Air Force in their respective spheres in two years, and tributing the magnificent resistance of RUSSIA and CHINA, His Excellency said: "We are justified in looking to the future with confident courage and sober optimism but, nevertheless, need the utmost effort and sacrifice greater than ever."

Referring to MALAYA, he have been shown by the people of Britain."

The Governor acknowledged most gratefully "the generous gesture of our own Chinese in Malaya" in collecting funds this week for the relief of distress in Britain.

"Such a gesture at a time when China herself is so sorely stricken is a symbol of the unity and singleness of purpose with which Britain and China are fighting against aggression."

STRONG REINFORCEMENTS A communiqué states that further strong Indian reinforcements have arrived in Malaya and were met on their arrival by the C-in-C, Far East, Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham.

Every unit is fully mechanised with vehicles of the latest design and ancillary units included to

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With the development of aerial facilities, the paper adds that the flights between Alaska and Kamchatka have "become increasingly significant as a line of pressure against this country."

"Japan must, therefore, re-examine its position with regard to this northern passage if its adequate defence is to be realised," the Times and Advertiser concludes.

EXPLOITING LABOUR The ASAHI SHIMBUN, commenting on the effect President Roosevelt's speech would have on American labourers and employers, said that Labour does not yet realise the crisis confronting the United States nor does it feel the threat of Nazism, while employers are taking advantage of the

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### Berlin And Frankfort Are Main Objectives

BERLIN and FRANKFORT were the main objectives of the Bomber Command on Tuesday night, says Reuter.

At Frankfort, a heavy attack was made on railway communications and industrial targets.

The force which bombed Berlin was not so large but included a high proportion of the heaviest bombers.

Large fires were left burning in the German capital and bombs were seen to burst on industrial buildings.

Other targets included BOULOGNE and CALAIS.

Nine of our aircraft are missing.

#### COMPARATIVE LOSSES

The list of comparative losses in aircraft during August, issued in London, is as follows:

British Germans	Over and around	Britain	111	15
	In Europe	265	127	
	In Middle East	26	50	

In addition, the Admiralty reported that six German planes were lost at sea.

#### N.Z. WAR LOAN

WELLINGTON, Sept. 3 (Reuter)—The \$10,000,000 War Loan has been oversubscribed.

This was announced today by Mr. Walter Nash, the New Zealand Acting Prime Minister and Minister of Finance.

### Who Was Responsible For Evacuation?: Husbands Seek Public Inquiry

### Resolution At Meeting: Report On Talk With H.E.

A resolution that "GOVERNMENT BE APPROACHED TO HOLD A PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO THE WORKINGS OF THE EVACUATION AND AS TO WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE," proposed by MR. W. V. TAYLOR at the meeting of the EVACUATION REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE held in the Ross Room, Peninsula Hotel, last evening, was unanimously passed by the large number of husbands and relatives of evacuees present.

The meeting was marked by good-natured banter, reminiscent of Hyde Park, and by the usual caustic references to the presence of wives and families of senior Government officials.

One or two members of the Committee had also deemed it necessary to attack the local Press for its attitude towards the actions of the husbands.

Mr. R. J. Banks (Chairman) presided, and other Committee members present were Messrs. W. V. Taylor (Secretary), J. Shepherd, V. D. Gage, W. McKe and Capt. W. E. Kirby.

Another resolution that "those who wish to leave the Colony should be allowed to do so," proposed at that meeting. The members were, however, informed by the Colonial Secretary that they would

### Search Warrant Executed By Police While Manager Gives Evidence At A.R.P. Inquiry

### Sensational Revelation Regarding Tenders For Concrete Blocks

While MR. CHENG CHIK-CHI, managing director of the Chiap Hua Manufactory Company, was giving evidence before the Commission, appointed by His Excellency the Governor to inquire into certain matters in connexion with the AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS DEPARTMENT, at the Puisne Judge's Court yesterday morning, DET.-SERGT. FORREST was executing a search warrant on the premises of the Chiap Hua. The books and documents seized by the Police were produced before the Commission in the afternoon session.

A sensational revelation was made at the morning session when the Chairman, Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall, disclosed that an offer by the Concrete Products to the Director of Air Raid Precautions and the late Captain C. C. A. Hobbs, A.R.P. architect, FOR 400,000 BLOCKS MADE ACCORDING TO A LONDON SPECIFICATION AND MEASURING 18" x 9" x 9" each, at 38 cents each, was rejected, while tenders from three Chinese contractors for blocks, measuring 17 1/2" x 8 1/2" x 8 1/2" at 49 1/4 cents each, were accepted.

The Chairman further revealed that Miss Mimi Lau, employed by the Chiap Hua concern, was able, after six months' employment at \$200 per month, to deposit \$5,000 with the Mercantile Bank on June 14, and that this deposit was followed by another of \$500 a month-and-a-half later.

The Commission comprises Mr. Justice Cressall (Chairman), Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy and Mr. S. Hampden-Ross, with Mr. K. M. A. Barnett as Secretary.

When hearing was resumed in the afternoon, Mr. Cheng Chik-chi was further questioned.

In reply to the Chairman, Mr. Cheng said that he had brought all the books that were available but did not know whether they were all that were required by the Commission.

Asked whether he had brought the list of entertainment expenses of the firm, witness said that as the firm was removing office to a lower floor he did not have time to look for that list.

#### LIST OF GUESTS

As to the list of guests which Mr. Cheng volunteered, during the morning's hearing, to produce in the afternoon, he said that he was unable to find it. He was asked by the Chairman to make a further search.

When asked by the Chairman whether he had brought the passbooks of each of the eight banks whose names appeared in one of the firm's books, and which witness was instructed by the Chairman to produce in the afternoon at 3 o'clock, Mr. Cheng replied that he found, on arrival at the office, that the banks did not issue any

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LONDON, Sept. 3 (Reuter)—The negotiations between the British and Soviet Ministers and the Iranian Government are continuing.

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soners; Wilhelmstrasse worried about Japan's attitude.

### BRITAIN HAS TURNED TABLES ON GERMANS IN WAR ON SHIPPING

### Giving Double Dose Of Hitler's Own Medicine

"GERMAN SHIPPING IS GETTING A DOUBLE DOSE OF THE MEDICINE HITLER PRESCRIBED FOR US," said Sir Archibald Sinclair, Secretary of State for Air, in a review of hostilities since the outbreak in 1939, says Reuter Bulletin.

Sir Archibald said that Britain had turned the tables on the Germans in the war on shipping. In July the Germans had lost 52 ships in the North Sea, Adriatic and Baltic, totalling 468,000 tons in addition to another ship of unknown tonnage.

The Axis have lost 4,000 planes in the Russian campaign.

#### SUBMARINE SUCCESSES

British submarines in the Mediterranean are pressing home their recent attacks on enemy shipping.

On Tuesday, a British submarine followed an enemy convoy and successfully attacked it.

### JAPANESE LEAVE FOOCHOW

SHANGHAI, Sept. 3 (Reuter)—After occupying Foochow since early April, 1941, Japanese forces this morning moved out of the south China port, according to a joint statement issued at noon today by a spokesman of the Japanese Army and Navy here.

### BATTLE OF RUSSIA AT ITS FIERCEST

Broadcasting from London last night MR. KEVIN O'CARROLL said that although we had little definite news there was no doubt that the Battle of Russia was at its fiercest. Moscow was wisely reticent, as it had been from the start, go, too, the German High Command.

BUT GOEBBELS AND HIS PROPAGANDISTS HAD BEEN PAINTING A DAZZLING PICTURE THAT VICTORY WAS IN SIGHT JUST AROUND THE CORNER.

Unwittingly, neutral newspaper correspondents acted as the mouthpiece of the "good doctor" and, therefore, their reports had to be treated with some reserve.

Continuing, Mr. O'Carroll said that admittedly the Germans had strengthened their position around Leningrad and Odessa was being hard pressed. Leningrad and Odessa formed two of the four objectives of the Germans, the other two of course being Moscow and Kiev, on the west bank of the Dnieper.

Meanwhile, the Russian High Command were looking well ahead and were not being taken in by stories of speedy German victory. New armies were being trained and new planes built in the distant Urals districts. The loss of industrial centres in the Ukraine was envisaged years ago and alternative sources of supply were organised well out of the reach of enemy bombers.

# SENSATIONAL REVELATION AT INQUIRY INTO A.R.P.

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pass-books but just receipts for all money paid-in. The receipts, added witness, were to be found in the parcel which the Police seized.

In connexion with the bank pass-books, witness was instructed by the Chairman during the morning's examination of witness to produce, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, each and every one of the eight pass-books issued to his firm by the eight banks it dealt with. On the witness replying that as the pass-books were only 20-page books and not big ones, the Chairman asked whether he meant to suggest that he might have mislaid some of them.

When witness replied in the affirmative, the Chairman remarked: "Well, bring all you can collect this afternoon and for the missing ones go to the banks concerned and get duplicates and bring them here by 3 o'clock this afternoon."

Witness replied, "If the banks agree to let me have the duplicates by 3 o'clock, I will bring them."

Chairman: Well, let me know and if they refuse they will be given orders to do so."

Questioning of Mr Cheng was deferred to permit of Det. Sgt. For. rest to testify.

## POLICE TESTIFY

Det. Sgt. Forrest stated that he executed a search warrant on the Chiap Hua Manufactory Co., and during the search seized a number of books and documents (produced before the Commission).

Mr. Cheng, said witness, arrived on the premises about five minutes after him. Mr. Cheng did not talk to him but spoke to his employees in a dialect which the witness did not understand.

Chairman: You made a complete search? I did, sir.

Mr. Cheng was then recalled.

Chairman: You said this morning that you knew Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins—Yes.

You have been to his office several times?—Yes.

For what reasons?—Every time I went there I brought with me Mr. Lam Bak-chung, our assistant manager.

What was the reason?—For business. What business?—For the manufacture of steel helmets.

Have you got a contract?—Yes, it is on the file.

## SUPPLIED 3,000

What was the quantity you were asked to supply?—On July 7 last year we supplied 3,000.

Anything else?—The subsequent orders were from the Government Stores. We were first of all asked to produce an estimate and the order was then put through the Government Stores.

What was the total you were asked to supply to the A.R.P.?—The total quantity, including Government Stores and the A.R.P., was valued at \$200,000, but they were not all for steel helmets.

But what was the total?—I was so busy as a manager that I had no time to check the figures.

I want you to get them tomorrow.

Did you supply the A.R.P. with pick-axes and shovels?—They were ordered by the Controller of Stores.

Who is he? Mr. Anderson?—I don't know English.

What was the total?—I can only say \$200,000 for the whole quantity.

## I DON'T KNOW

The figure given here is \$2,000. Is that correct?—I don't know.

One item here is for \$1,280—I am so busy I cannot remember.

Do you suffer from loss of memory?—No.

Do you remember supplying water buckets to the A.R.P.?—I cannot remember.

Do you remember supplying anything else to the A.R.P., for instance, stirrup pumps?—I remember supplying some stirrup pumps but I can't say whether they were for the Naval Yard or the A.R.P.

Have you ever supplied uniforms to the A.R.P.?—Never.

Do you remember ever having seen a notice in the Government Gazette calling for tenders?—I don't read such a paper.

Well, do you remember reading in the Chinese newspapers a notice calling for such tenders?—We do not need such business. We are constantly asked to quote for various war materials, and when the orders come we just fill them.

Do you remember having read in the Chinese newspapers at any

time, a notice calling for tenders?—No.

## NEVER TENDERED

According to a C.S.O. file I have here, the contracts you tendered were recommended by Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins—I have never tendered for such business at all. I received orders which I fill right away.

From whom did you receive such orders?—From the War Supply Board.

Answer my question. From whom did you receive orders for A.R.P. Stores?—From the Government Stores.

Did you ever receive orders from A.R.P. officers?—Government, when sending out requisition for war supplies, send it to different firms and we were one of them.

Did you ever receive orders from A.R.P. officers?—No.

Did you ever discuss these supplies to the A.R.P. with Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins, through your assistant manager?—Yes, certainly, because in our business for orders put through the A.R.P. we must consult Wing-Commander Steele-Perkins.

Did you discuss in the D.A.R.P.'s office?—It's no use discussing it in the D.A.R.P.'s office.

It must be discussed in the Government Stores.

## MUST BE DISCUSSED

Further pressed on this point, witness admitted that all orders put through the A.R.P. must of course be discussed with the D.A.R.P.

Did you put the price of \$4.85 to him? At first we had to put in \$4.85 as we had to get a foreign firm to get the steel helmets for us and had to pay them commission. Later on, when we got the steel helmets ourselves we reduced the price to \$4.65.

Have you ever purchased steel helmets from a foreign firm?—No. We manufacture them ourselves.

I think the position is that foreign firms used to tender for steel helmets and then buy them from you?—Yes. I had to pay them a commission.

## PRICE REDUCED

What was the reason for your reducing the price to \$4.65?—The price was reduced to \$4.65 because we were doing the business direct and had no need to pay a commission.

Was that the reason?—Yes.

And not because someone in the A.R.P. told you that another firm was offering \$4.75 and that you had better reduce your price?—No, no.

Have you ever supplied the A.R.P. with warden's badges?—Never.

Have you ever discussed the supply of steel ducts for the A.R.P. tunnels?—Never.

Have you ever supplied camp-beds to the A.R.P.?—Never.

Or galvanised iron buckets?—No.

We will go through the books you have produced and also the books seized by the Police, and when we are ready we will let you know.

## 95 CAINE ROAD

Do you know No. 95, Caine Road?—No.

Do you know Cheung Chuek-ping, the director of the Tai Kung Pao?—No.

Do you know No. 6, Po Shan Road?—No.

Do you know Mrs. Violet Chan?—I have never seen her in my life.

At this stage, further hearing was adjourned until 10 a.m. today in the Council Chamber, Colonial Secretariat.

## MORNING'S HEARING

Before the proceedings commenced yesterday morning the Chairman announced that Messrs. Deacons had been instructed to attend all future meetings of the Commission in an advisory capacity to the Commissioners.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong appeared for Messrs. Deacons, while Mr. G. N. Tinson, on behalf of Wing-Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, Director of A.R.P. Department, was also present.

The first witness called was Mr. U. Pak-kwai, of Messrs. Sang Lee, Contractors. In reply to the Chairman, Mr. U said that his firm was desirous of putting in ventilation for the shelter, his firm was ready and able to do so and would like to tender.

Chairman—Did you tell him that your firm was also manufacturing steel helmets and water-buckets for the A.R.P.?—When he asked me what materials were

needed, I told him that the

firm had been subscribed. His

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## COMING EVENTS

SEPT.

4-Tides:—High 9.10 a.m. & 10.30 p.m.; Low 2.30 a.m. and 3.52 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.07 a.m.; Sunset: 7.38 p.m.  
Competitive Examination for Probationer Clerks for Government Service, King's College, 9 a.m.  
St. John Ambulance Association First Aid Lecture, European "Y." 5.1 p.m.

Cheer Club Bridge and Mahjong, St. Andrew's (Medical) War Work, 10 a.m.

St. Andrew's Club Moonlight Bath Picnic, 8 p.m.  
H.K. Y's Men's Club's Meeting St. Francis Hotel, 1 p.m.

Kowloon Golf Club Meeting, Clubhouse, 6 p.m.  
Victoria Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.  
Ladies' Knitting Party (B.W.O.F.), Helen May Institute, 8 a.m.

5-Tides:—High 9.57 a.m. and 11.00 p.m.; Low 3.16 a.m. and 4.23 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.07 a.m.; Sunset: 7.37 p.m.  
Cheer Club Darts and Table Tennis.

St. Andrew's Wartime Intercession Service, 8.30 p.m.  
Crown Land Sale, D. O. South Queen's Bldg., 11 a.m.

Black-Out Exercise from midnight  
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

6-Tides:—High 10.40 a.m. and 11.38 p.m.; Low 3.57 a.m. and 4.52 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.07 a.m.; Sunset: 7.36 p.m.  
Bank Holiday

St. Stephen's Girls' College Entrance Test for new students, 9 a.m.  
Lawn Bowls League matches, 2 p.m.

7-Tides:—High 11.21 a.m. and 11.57 p.m.; Low 3.39 a.m. and 5.22 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.35 p.m.  
National Day of Prayer.

Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, West Lounge, 9 p.m.

8-Tides:—High 11.57 a.m. and 12.19 p.m.; Low 5.19 a.m. and 5.52 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.34 p.m.  
Crown Land Sale, P.W.D. Office, 3 p.m.

9-Tides:—High 12.32 a.m. and 12.50 p.m.; Low 6 a.m. and 6.32 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.33 p.m.

10-Tides:—High 1.04 a.m. & 12.58 p.m.; Low 6.44 a.m. and 6.50 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.37 p.m.

11-Tides:—High 1.37 p.m. Low 7.31 a.m. and 7.15 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.08 a.m.; Sunset: 7.31 p.m.  
Claims against Estate of late Mr. J. Williams due.

12-Tides:—High 1.22 a.m. & 2.22 p.m.; Low 8.27 a.m. and 7.31 p.m.  
Sunrise: 7.09 a.m.; Sunset: 7.30 p.m.

13-Reuter and Rughy Press and Announcements.

14-Variety Programme.

Comedienne—What Can You Give A Nun? (Le Clerc)—Bertha Willmott with Orchestra, Buju—St. Louis Blues (Handy)—Eddie Peabody w. Piano, Comedienne—Up Around The Old North Pole (Hardgrave)—Bertha Willmott with Orchestra.

Instrumental—Some Of These Days (Brooks)—Eddie Peabody with Piano.

Humorous Monologue—The Mayor (John Tilley)—John Tilley, Organ—Six Hit Medley (No. 5)—Intra My Heart and I; A Little Rendezvous in Honolulu (Guitar); Diddle-dum-dee (Vocal) Why Did She Fall For The Leader Of The Band; Alone; Fancy Meeting You (Vocal)—Harry Crouden, Humorous Monologue The Scoutmaster (Tilley)—John Tilley.

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17-Fox-Trot—Love For Sale: Spend Your Heart—Hal Kemp and His Orchestra, Piano—If I Should Fall In Love Again (Popplewell); Vagabond Dreams (Lawrence and Carrmichael)—Turner Layton, Slow Fox-Trot—There'll Never Be Another You; Quick-Step—The Lady Is A Tramp (From Babes In Arms)—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orch. Comedy Sketch—Sandy's Happy Home (Powell and Thomson); Sandy Powell and Company, Waltz—After Blue Gown; Fox-Trot—Irene (Both from film "Irene")—McCarthy—Wayne King and His Orchestra, Vocal—Soon (From film "Strike Up The Band")—Gershwin; They Can't Take That Away From Me (From film "Shall We Dance")—Gershwin—Connie Boswell w. Orchestra, Rumba Fox-Trot—The Gaucho Serenade; Fox-Trot—Rosita (Her Name Was "Rosita")—Ambrose and His Orch.

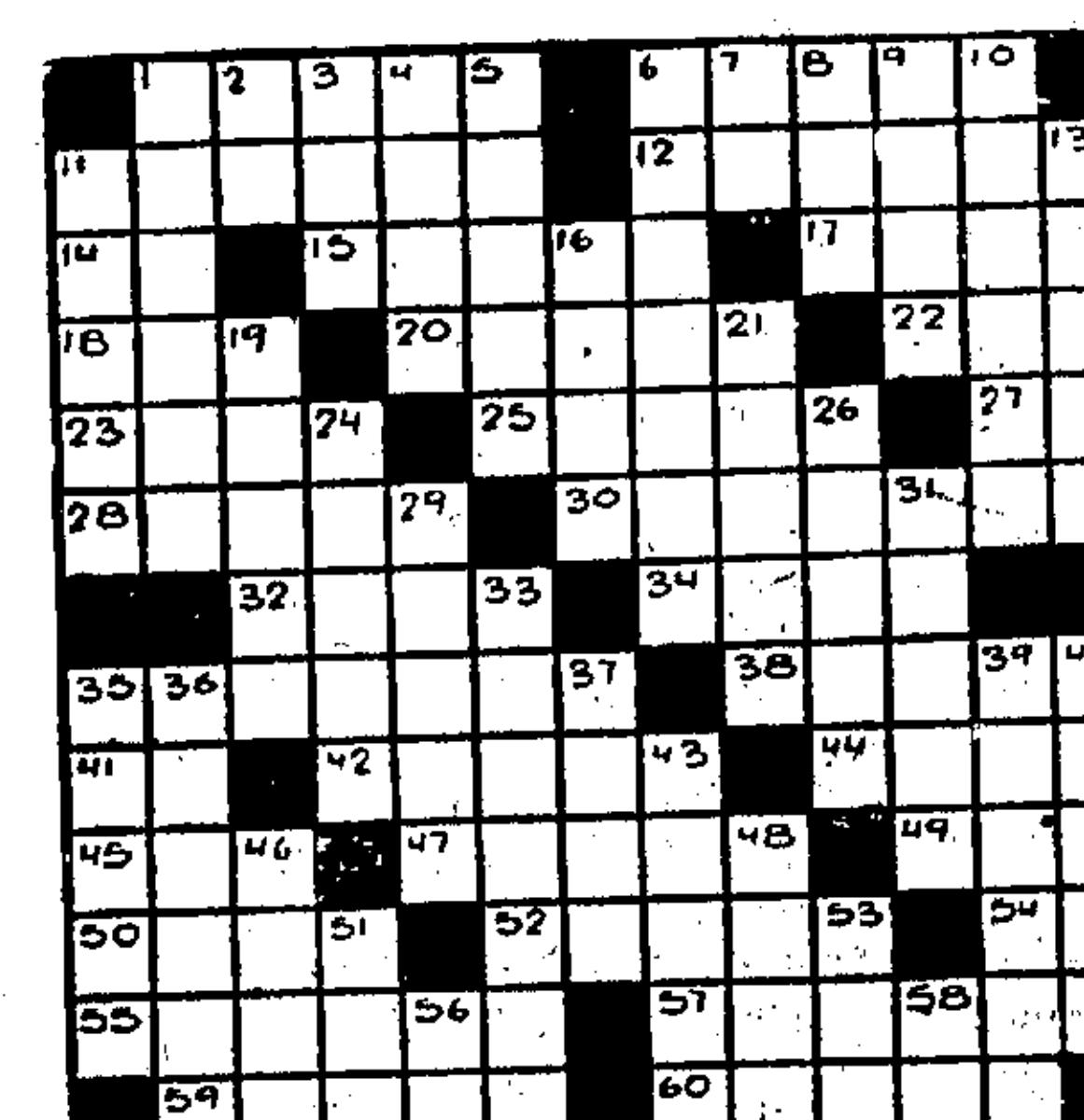
18-London—War Correspondents—Alan Bell.

19-Close Down.

## CROSSWORD NO. 970

## ACROSS

1 Who was sent in quest of the Golden Fleece?  
6 Dried tubers of orchids  
11 Give  
12 What former kingdom contains the highest summits of the Pyrenees?  
14 Indian madder  
15 Seat  
17 Pit for fodder  
18 Pixy  
20 Dispatches  
22 Pose for a portrait  
23 Rip  
25 Smiling  
27 Symbol for selenium  
28 Who led the Green mountain boys: —Allen?  
30 Casts off  
32 Persia  
34 A few  
35 Made temperate  
36 Johnnycakes  
41 Correlative of other  
42 Name the missing Lear: Goneril, Cordelia?  
44 Law  
45 Engine of war  
47 Of sounder mind  
49 Observed  
50 On the sumbit  
52 Lukewarm  
54 Symbol for tellurium  
55 Comfort



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## GENERAL

## Radio Programmes

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Indian Programme.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 A Dvorak Programme.

Quintet in A Major, Op. 81 — 1st Mov.: Allegro, ma non tanto; 2nd Mov.: Dumka; 3rd Mov.: Scherzo (Furiant); 4th Mov.: Finale—Allegro—Arthur Schnabel and The Pro Arte Quartet. Songs My Mother Taught Me—Dino Borgioli (Tenor) with Ivor Newton (Piano, Violin). Indian Lament—Fritz Kreisler (Violin) with Piano accomp.

7.30 The Philharmonic Orchestra.

"The Barber Of Seville" Overture (Rossini), Waltz and Final from "Serenade," Op. 48 (Tchaikovsky). Salome's Dance (from "Salomé"—Richard Strauss) Hungarian Dance No. 1 and 3 (Brahms).

8.00 London—The News.

8.15 London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 London Relay—Listening Post: Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 Programme Summary.

8.32 Tito Schipa (Tenor) In A Spanish Programme.

Spanish Dance (Grandioso—Kreisler)—Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) with Piano accomp. Angela Mia (My Angel—Schipa); Betrayed Woman—Neapolitan Melody (Cortillo—Schipa); Tito Schipa (Tenor) with Orchestra, Narrative Of The Toreador (Turina)—Gordon String Quartet. Farewell, My Granada (Calleja—Barrera)—Tito Schipa with Orchestra, Goyegas—Intermezzo (Grandioso)—Pablo Casals (Cello) w. Piano accomp.

8.40 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 Studio—"Tonight We Present."

A Review Of New Records.

9.45 — 10.00 News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 The Lecuona Cuban Boys.

Blue Rumba—Rumba Bleue (Crescione and Vasquez); Funine Foxtrot—Coubanakan (Moises Simons). Conga—La Havane A Paris (Crescione); Rumba—Cachita (Hernandez).

10.00 London—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 Dance Music and Variety.

Fox-Trot—Love For Sale: Spend Your Heart—Hal Kemp and His Orchestra, Piano—If I Should Fall In Love Again (Popplewell); Vagabond Dreams (Lawrence and Carrmichael)—Turner Layton, Slow Fox-Trot—There'll Never Be Another You; Quick-Step—The Lady Is A Tramp (From Babes In Arms)—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orch. Comedy Sketch—Sandy's Happy Home (Powell and Thomson); Sandy Powell and Company, Waltz—After Blue Gown; Fox-Trot—Irene (Both from film "Irene")—McCarthy—Wayne King and His Orchestra, Vocal—Soon (From film "Strike Up The Band")—Gershwin; They Can't Take That Away From Me (From film "Shall We Dance")—Gershwin—Connie Boswell w. Orchestra, Rumba Fox-Trot—The Gaucho Serenade; Fox-Trot—Rosita (Her Name Was "Rosita")—Ambrose and His Orch.

11.00 London—War Correspondents—Alan Bell.

11.15 Close Down.

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## AXIS, BRITISH AIR LOSSES

LONDON, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — No fewer than 4,500 enemy aircraft have been destroyed in two years of war by the R.A.F. Fighter Command and the A.A. defences, it is learned in well-informed circles.

British losses have been 1,400 fighters but the pilots of over 450 machines were saved.

## UNLIMITED U.S. CO-OPERATION IN THE WAR WITH GERMANY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — President Roosevelt's Labour Day speech was interpreted here by authoritative circles as an indication of Mr. Churchill's success in enlisting the United States' unlimited co-operation in the war with Germany.

These circles said that the "Atlantic Charter" has now become the United States' highest foreign policy.

President Roosevelt apparently had in mind Britain's war needs rather than United States needs when he demanded an unconditional sacrifice of American industrial workers.

It is pointed out by these circles that the fact that the two Labour leaders, Mr. William Green and Mr. Philip Murray, following the lead set by White House towards Labour, shows conclusively that regimentation is now reaching every corner of American life including Labour.

## DIVE-BOMBERS ACTIVE IN LIBYA

CAIRO, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — A Middle East communiqué says:

LIBYA — Tobruk: During the night our patrols were active. In addition to inflicting casualties on the enemy in several sectors they have captured and occupied an enemy position.

During the morning there were heavy dive bombing and high level bombing attacks. Despite the weight of the attacks in which about 100 aircraft were employed the damage and casualties were negligible.

In the frontier area, there was considerable enemy shelling.

## ENEMY SUPPLY SHIP HIT OFF DUNKIRK

LONDON, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — British bombers, escorted by fighters, yesterday morning made a low level attack on an enemy supply ship off Dunkirk.

The vessel, which was protected by six A.A. ships and flying-boats, was hit twice and left enveloped in flames.

Two Messerschmitts were destroyed by British fighters.

One Bf 109 is missing says an Air Ministry communiqué.

## Leningrad Battle Already Under Way: Berlin Sources Claim "Final Assault" Is Imminent: Defences Pierced

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — Well-informed Berlin circles believe that the battle for Leningrad has already begun, says the Berlin correspondent of the Dagbladet.

The Nazis claim that their troops have already penetrated the outer defences of the city at several points, he said, and their advanced forces are "in the vicinity of the city."

"The 'final assault' may be extended any moment."

These claims are not mentioned by Berlin correspondents of the Dagens Nyheter and the Stockholm Tidningen, who merely report that incessant rain is hampering operations and that further Russian forces were "annihilated" south of Lake Ilmen.

The Germans claim, according to these correspondents, that a great encircling movement is proceeding successfully north of Novgorod.

The Germans admit counter-attacks on the central sector, say the correspondents, but they claim that the Russians "have not reached their goal" nor have they succeeded in regaining the west bank of the Dnieper despite continued efforts.

## GENERAL KILLED

Swedish correspondents in Finland say that the Russians are now holding the Stalin Line across the Karelian Isthmus.

The Finns claim that they have captured Sakkola, about 50 miles southeast of Viborg, and have now holding the Stalin Line across the Karelian Isthmus.

It is claimed that Russian prisoners have reported the death of Major-General Seltentsov, commanding the 88th Russian Division.

## RUSSIAN GUERRILLAS

MOSCOW, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — Successes of Soviet guerrilla detachments' operations in the Besarabian district now occupied by German and Rumanian armies are described in a supplementary to the Soviet mid day communiqué.

"By bold raids and blowing up the enemy's installations, guerrillas are systematically sapping the forces of the enemy and are destroying his ammunition and supplies," it says.

"During August, guerrillas destroyed 14 enemy tanks and armoured cars, 32 lorries with ammunition, 44 wagons with supplies and over 40 petrol dumps. During these operations, guerrillas killed and wounded over 400 Rumanian soldiers and officers."

During the past three days, bombers of the Black Sea Fleet air arm carried out several raids on ports and on enemy troops. Direct hits put one enemy vessel out of action and our pilots also destroyed over 50 armoured cars and many automatic weapons."

In the Smolensk direction our troops crushed an infantry regiment of the 161st Division. Only eight to ten men remained in the regiment's companies.

The supplementary communiqué attributes to a German officer.

Ludwig Robert, who was taken prisoner, a statement that as a result of losses on the eastern front the German High Command

## Britain's Public Enemies Are Hitler &amp; Complacency

LONDON, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — Mr. Brendan Bracken, Britain's dynamic Minister of Information, said that Britain is entering her third year of "this brutal war" and after posing the question "How do we stand?" proceeded to make a brief comment, answering the question himself.

Britain's public enemies, he said, are first Hitler and second, complacency, "and we are a long way from the extinction of either foe," he declared.

Mr. Bracken was speaking to journalists and their guests at a luncheon of the Foreign Press Association in London.

He said that the ferocious hatred of journalists by the Dictators was based on the fear of despots who, knowing that if their ill-gotten gains, their lust for blood, their crazy dreams of world power had been laid before their people in a blunt manner, the "gangster" reign over Europe would be very brief.

A free Press is the most watchful sentry of a state, he said, while a "yes" Press is fatal to a good government.

Britain is in a much healthier condition than it was two years ago, he said. Britain has made progress, but much remains to be done. The armed forces have been given and have solved tasks which appeared impossible.

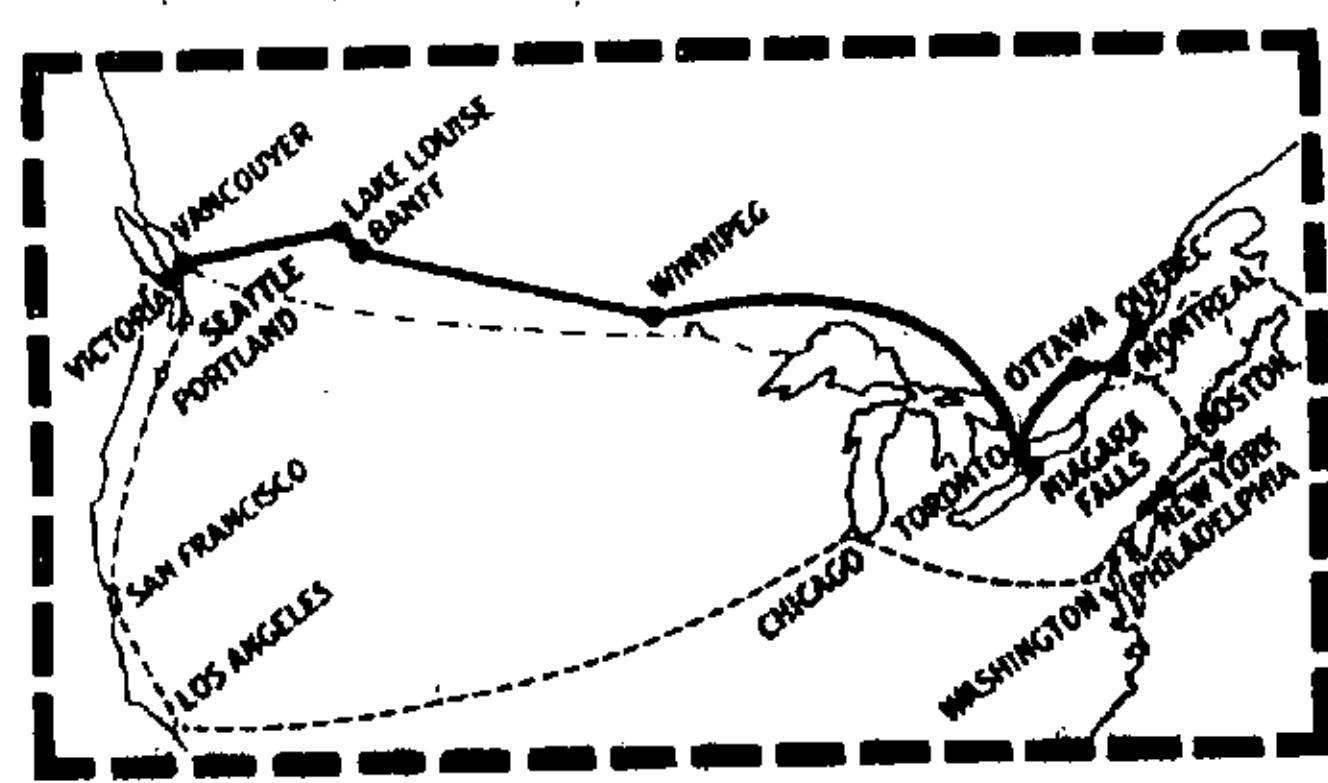
To the question, "What shall we do to win this war?" the Minister said: "Look to your factories, your mines, your shipyards and your farms. This latest German war is really a smash and grab raid on civilization."

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## VALUABLE CARGO OF KEROSENE CONFISCATED: APPEAL AGAINST COURT SENTENCE IS DISCUSSED

A submission that the Legislature when providing for a maximum penalty for a certain type of offence intended such maximum sentence only for the worst cases, brought yesterday by Mr. Peter H. Sin in an appeal case at the Supreme Court, was refuted by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, who refused to consider the contention as sufficient ground why the appeal should be sustained.

## FUNERAL OF CAPT. G. C. RICHARDS

Full military honours were accorded at the funeral yesterday evening at the Colonial Cemetery of Captain George Cecil Richards, R.E.

The Rev. S. J. Squires, S.C.F., officiated.

The late Capt. Richards passed away at the Military Hospital early yesterday morning following an attack of typhus.

Capt. Richards, who had spent more than three-and-a-half years in Hongkong had about 20 years service in the British Army. He was promoted to the rank of Captain only a few days ago.

He was a member of the Civil Service Cricket Club and was keenly interested in bowls. He leaves a wife and three children who are at present in Australia.

There was a large attendance at the graveside of brother officers and friends.

### THE WREATHS

Wreaths were sent by H. E. Major-General C. M. Maitby, G. O. C. Major and Mrs. W. W. Parsons and Betty. Major L. W. Sunes, R. E. Capt and Mrs. Howard, Capt. A. H. Martin, R. E. Capt. A. C. Houghton, R. E. Lieut. C. Pope, R. E. Lieut. and Mrs. Rowell and Gwendolyn Lt.-Col. D. J. McDougal and Officers, 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots; Charlie, Florie and the kiddies; Messrs. J. R. Harris; T. Lawrence; A. A. G. Morant; L. D. Skinner; J. E. Richardson; Mr. and Mrs. Jessop; Staff Officers, China Command; All Ranks, 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots; O. C. Military Hospital, and Officers, R. A. M. C. All Ranks, Frotress R. E.; The Staff of D/C. R. E. Defences; C. R. E. Staff; The Chief Engineer and Staff Head Quarters, China Command; officers, Fortress R. E.; D. C. R. E. Staff; R. E. W. O's and S. N. C. O's Mess; C. R. E. Kowloon and Staff; S. W. and Staff, Kowloon; R. E. J. N. C. O's Club; No. 82 M. F. W. Class; The Chartered Surveyors Institution, Hongkong and China Branch; Master Officers and Brethren of the Victoria Lodge of Hongkong; President, Committee and members of Kowloon Cricket Club.

### EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS

There will be an exhibition of some 100 Chinese paintings, mostly landscapes of the famous Omei Mountain in Szechuan, by Mr. Huang Chun-pei, member of the Art Committee of the Ministry of Education and Professor of Chinese Art of the National Central University, at Hotel Cecil on September 5-7.

Professor Huang was commissioned by the Government to study art education in Japan and taught Chinese Art in several schools in Canton before the war.

### JUNK ROBBERY REPORTED

Chan Chai, master of boat No. 9056A, reported to the police on Tuesday that on Sunday last, while sailing south of Sam Mun Custom House, he was met by a robbers' junk, where eight robbers, armed with rifles and revolvers boarded boat and sailed away to a bay in Chinese waters where they transferred all the cargo, valued at \$750.

### CHINESE SOLDIER ESCAPES

It was disclosed yesterday morning that a Chinese soldier made a successful escape from Argyle Street Internment Camp early on Monday, by climbing over the barbed wire fence.

### HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Returns of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Sept. 2.

Cholera, four cases; Diphtheria one case; Dysentery, seven cases; Tuberculosis, 80 cases.

## FULL COURT DEMANDING WITH OF APPEAL

### ROBBERS FAIL TO GET SENTENCE REVOKED

The Full Court of Appeal, comprising His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in the Chair, and Mr. Justice E. H. Williams, dismissed yesterday an appeal brought by Tang Hung, Ng Tsang and Suei Loy against sentence of seven years' hard labour passed on them for robbery at the July Criminal Sessions by Mr. Justice F. F. Cressall.

The appellants submitted that the sentence passed on them had been excessive, as neither one, they claimed in separate statements, had been armed during the robbery or had been aware of the purpose for which they had been summoned by other parties on May 28 to a house in Yee Kuk Street, where, first appellant claimed, he thought he was going to assist in collecting a debt for a certain Lau Fuk.

Second appellant claimed that he had tried to run away when he had learned what the purpose of the visit was, and third appellant added that the police had extracted a confession from him about a robbery with which he had nothing to do.

In dismissing the appeals, the Chief Justice remarked that the first two appellants had pleaded guilty at the Sessions to the charge of robbery and the third had been found guilty by jury. All three had been sentenced to seven years' hard labour each and the first two appellants had also been sentenced to 12 strokes of the cat.

### GRAVE OFFENCE

The Court of Appeal, the Chief Justice said, was satisfied that the gravity of the offence and the surrounding circumstances had merited the sentence imposed. A deliberate armed robbery had been committed on business premises at 5 p.m. in the afternoon and the robbers had been armed with daggers and revolvers.

"That sort of thing can't be

### GENERAL

### "PROTECTION" RACKET IN LANTAU ISLAND

Hearing was commenced before Mr. S. F. Balfour at the District Court, South, yesterday on a case in which Tsang Kwai alias Tsang Hol alias Tsang Fai is charged with having uttered a letter demanding money from Siu Chiu and others with menaces and without reasonable or probable cause.

Sgt. J. Allen is prosecuting. The allegations against defendant are that on July 26 he had with a number of other men despatched a letter to Siu Chiu at Tung Chun village on Lantau Island demanding from Siu and from 16 other merchants and storekeepers name in the letter a sum of money totalling \$3,500 as "protection" fee.

A meeting had been held in the village at which various contributions, amounting to a total of \$394, were made towards meeting the demands made in the letter. To this was later further subscribed another \$5600, being money that had been put aside for the village theatricals, and the whole was handed over to defendant, it is alleged, on July 29 outside the Hau Wong Temple.

### REPORT MADE

A report later made to the police involved the defendant, who was being held for some other matter, and he was subsequently charged after police investigation. He is charged additionally with having robbed Siu Chiu of a sum of \$64 and two other men of a sum of \$23.

Hearing will be continued today.

Sheldon yesterday at the Central Magistracy on a charge of unlawfully conducting blasting operations in a prohibited area at 9.30 a.m. on Aug. 17. He was fined \$50. A. S. I. Taylor prosecuted.

### COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

Further evidence was taken by Mr. G. T. Lowry in the committee proceedings against Shek Tin-sung, 31, managing partner of Killy and Co., No. 175 Main Street East, first floor, who is charged on two counts of receiving stolen property, namely, 4,5500 rolls of cotton cloth, property of the Li Tak Shing Co., and 6,900 rolls of white cloth, 55 large bales and 600 small bales of cotton yarn, the property of the Tai Sang Co.

Sgt. F. Grainger prosecuted.

### FEVER MOSQUITOS

For failing to prevent mosquitoes breeding, as shown by the presence of larvae in the garden on Aug. 11, Fot Hau Wo, of 82, Robinson Road, and Mok Hing, of 41, Conduit Rd., were each fined \$50 by Mr. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning.

Tsu Yu Pei, charged with a similar offence had his case adjourned until the Sept. 10.

Mr. R. M. Deb, of the Malaria Bureau, who prosecuted, said that the larvae found was of a particular species of mosquito which were known to be carriers of dengue fever.

### NO LICENCE

Wong Chol Lam, a native of Shanghai, 35, sub-contractor, of 85, Hongkong Kau Wai, Aberdeen, appeared before Mr. D. J. Anderson at the Central Magistracy yesterday on charges of driving a car without a licence and driving without the owner's permission.

The owner of car No. 390, Mr. Rumlanzeff, acting manager of the China Construction Co. had parked his car near the Wax Department site at Shouson Hill West. It appears that defendant entered the car and released the brake levers, which caused the machine to run down a steep hill for about 100 yds. and to collide with two other cars. Its progress was eventually stopped by a high pile of stones.

The outside front wheel and the steering gear were damaged.

As the owner knew defendant and did not press the case, he was leniently dealt with by the magistrate who imposed a fine of \$5 on each charge.

UNLAWFUL BLASTING

Cheng Yam appeared before Mr.

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### AT KOWLOON

#### CONSPIRACY TO STEAL

Cheung Sing, 45, Leung Yau, 34, Lam Kun-yau, 38, and Chan Kwan, 57, appeared before Major A. N. Macfadyen on a charge of conspiracy to steal the cargo of trading junk T5817H namely 165 bags of fertilizer, 200 bean cakes and 945 tons of kerosene, property of Yuen Pak Cheung.

Insp. A. F. Estall, who prosecuted, applied for 48 hours' remand in Police custody which was granted.

#### UNEMPLOYED FINED

Lam Luen, 45, unemployed, appeared before Major Macfadyen charged with unlawful possession of 112 lbs. of iron nuts and bolts at Chatham Road on Tuesday.

Accused was fined \$25 or two months' hard labour.

#### REMANDED FOR ENQUIRIES

Li Sau, 52, master of the Tai Lee yard, of Tai Kok Tsui, appeared before Major Macfadyen on a charge of receiving 3,420 bricks knowing same to have been stolen from the Hongkong Construction Co. on Aug. 28.

Accused, on \$200 bail, was remanded for 48 hours for further enquiries.

#### COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Leung Hui-kit, 36, Chinese constable No. D-64, appeared before Major Macfadyen on a charge of demanding money from Li Hang-cheung, owner of the Shun Fat Garage, 22 Laichikok Road, on different dates.

Evidence was given by Ng Wai-kau, Li Hang-cheung, Yeung Yiu-hing, Lip Chong-on, Det.-Sgt. R. McVey, and Wan Ying-chuen.

The accused was committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

#### LABOUR SUMMONSES

Before Mr. H. C. Macamara manager of Loong Wah Weaving Co., of 131, Sheung Sha Po, was summoned for running an unregistered weaving factory and having 20 women workers working after 8 p.m. on July 27.

Accused was fined \$200 on the first count and \$100 on the second.

Summoned for working 10 women after 8 p.m., the manager of the Lee Fat Weaving Co., 23 Tung Wan Village, was fined \$100. Insp. Ng Sui-tung of the Labour Dept. prosecuted.



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SINGAPORE, 23rd August, 1941.

## G. R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 8th day of September, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui po, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 6/NS. 9889 dated Hongkong, 29th October, 1940, for seven shares of this Bank numbered 63580/63582 and 7976/7979 in the name of Mrs. Ethelle Muriel Dowling, Certificate No. 6/NS. 9890 dated Hongkong, 29th October 1940 for two shares of this Bank numbered 7980/7981 in the name of Mr. Wilfred Murray Theobald, and Certificate No. 6/NS. 9891 dated Hongkong, 29th October 1940 for seven shares of this Bank numbered 7982/7987 and 60985 in the name of Mrs. Elizabeth Lyons Lancaster have been LOST or STOLEN, and should these certificates not be produced to the Bank before the 13th September, 1941, new Certificates for the shares will be issued and the aforesaid Certificates Nos. 6/NS. 9889, 6/NS. 9890, and 6/NS. 9891 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Board  
of Directors,  
V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 13th August, 1941.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2879.	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1472.	Locality: Castle Peak Road.	About 6390	\$8	422
As per sale plan.					

The purchaser of the lot will be required to pay to the auctioneer in cash the sum of \$1,708.00 (being 10% of the upset price) immediately after the fall of the hammer, the balance of the premium being paid in accordance with the Conditions of Sale.

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## NOTICE.

The Society for the Protection of Children has announced its intention of holding a Supper Carnival at the Ritz, Quarry Bay, on Friday, September 5th.

This function has been made possible by the generosity of C. Gray Esq. who has loaned his premises and staff for the entire evening.

Among the numerous side shows and attractions will be dancing, swimming, midget golf, and skating.

The cost of inclusive tickets will be 5 dollars single, 9 dollars double and children 3 dollars. Tickets may be obtained at the Hongkong Hotel and the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon.

It is hoped that this new venture will receive the enthusiastic support of the public.

## Mme. Kamaladevi Tributes Morale Of Chinese People In The Fight For Freedom

"I should like to pay a sincere tribute to those millions of men and women of China who are teaching us a valuable lesson that though the price of freedom is heavy, it is not too heavy for any self-respecting nation to pay," declared MADAME KAMALADEVI, Vice-President of the All-India Women's Congress, who has returned to Hongkong from an 11-day visit to Chungking, in an interview yesterday.

Madame Kamaladevi, who went through eight Japanese air raids during her brief stay in China's wartime capital, highly praised the excellent morale of the Chinese people who, she said, are taking the trials and tribulations caused by war philosophically. While in Chungking, she was the guest of Madame Chiang Kai-shek.

For four years, she said, the world has watched the epic struggle of the Chinese people to resist foreign aggression, but few perhaps realise what the struggle means in terms of everyday life. It was this that she was privileged to see during her visit to Chungking.

UNFLAGGING INDUSTRY

"I was impressed not only by the general morale of the people," she remarked, "but also by their unflagging industry—men gladly lending their bodies to replace mechanised power, their perfect orderliness, their exemplary discipline. There is a calm dignity in the way they have transformed ruthless, abnormal, incalculable circumstances into a normal routine, making stupendous adjustments to impossible conditions."

Continuing, she said that the struggle is not only on the military front, but also on the economic. Here again there is a quiet acceptance of hardships, a readiness to make sacrifices without spectacular trumpeting.

From the point of view that negotiations are even now proceeding between the United States and Japan for bringing about some possible easing of tension in the Pacific, the subject was, therefore, rightly considered by Mr. Roosevelt as sub judice and anything that might have prejudiced these proceedings was, in the circumstances, diplomatically avoided in the course of a speech which, above everything else, was concerned with the Labour Day celebrations in America. All Mr. Roosevelt's allusions to foreign policy were bound up with the necessity of speeding up American production of war materials for her own and the Allies' defence needs.

INDEED, far from proving that Democracy has reached a stage where it has lost its meaning, which is the implication that German commentators read into the President's speech, the clear-cut manner in which Mr. Roosevelt told Congress and the American people as a whole that any decision to march out of step with Britain and her allies would be the height of folly is the surest indication of how far the principles of democracy are allowed to operate in the administration's desire not to force American opinion to any decision in a way that might be regarded as being out of hand. When the United States Congress discusses the Eight-Point Declaration and its amplifications embodied in the speeches made by Mr. Churchill and the President, it will do so with the conviction that public opinion has been fully informed of the nature of the steps that the country must take and that the attitude of the people has crystallised out of a clear realisation of the necessity for them. Everything that President Roosevelt had to say showed how anxious he is to keep in step with American sentiment and to keep that sentiment in step with him, so as to give full effect to the principles of peace and security for the world as laid down in the Eight-Point Declaration.

WHILE the President's Labour Day speech of Monday last made a number of omissions, which the Axis countries have been quick to seize on as showing a lack of unanimity in American opinion behind the President, here again Mr. Roosevelt showed fine judgment in simply outlining the extent to which Anglo-American collaboration should be extended in a way that will make it impossible for Congress to deny that, in the interests of the country as a whole, no other course can be adopted. Japanese comment, for instance, makes such aado of the President's failure to make any reference to Japan.

## THE MILITARY SITUATION:

## STORY OF LAST TWELVE MONTHS IS ENCOURAGING: NAZI DISAPPOINTMENTS

"Our rear-guard actions in Greece and Crete checked the German onslaught and upset the German timetable," said MAJOR LEWIS HASTINGS, B.B.C. military observer, when he broadcast from London yesterday and reviewed the military position as he saw it today.

Major Hastings said that when he looked back over two years to the eve of the outbreak of the war, he remembered that there were then plenty of little King Canutes who thought, as King Canute did when he tried to rule the sea by peaceful persuasion, that the tide of murder could be stopped by peaceful gestures.

## VALUABLE LESSON

The world may be slow in realising the very fundamental contribution the Chinese people are making to the cause of human freedom. "But we in India," she said, "grasped it from the very start and felt a close identity with them. We have watched this struggle with unabated admiration. Today, I should like to pay a sincere tribute to those millions of men and women of China who are teaching us a valuable lesson that though the price of freedom is heavy it is not too heavy for any self-respecting nation to pay.

"In particular, I should like to express my admiration for the great work the Chinese women are doing under the very able leadership of Madame Chiang Kai-shek whose sincerity and courage, I am confident, will bear fruit in the near future."

Mme. Kamaladevi is leaving here for India today.—(Central).

## Dr. Sun Fo Entertained

Dr. Sun Fo, Chairman of the Legislative Yuan, who arrived here from Chungking sometime last month on a visit to the Colony, was entertained at a tea-party reception yesterday afternoon by members of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

The reception, which was held in the Hall of the Chamber's premises, was attended by a large and representing gathering of local Chinese businessmen and merchants.

After being introduced by the Chairman to members present, Dr. Sun made a speech thanking them for their warm welcome and also urged them to work hard for national salvation so as to win the final victory for their country.

Dr. S. W. Ts'o and others were also invited to speak.

Their speeches were all delivered in Chinese, and were very well received.

## THOSE PRESENT

Those present were Mr. Tung Chung-wai (Chairman), Mr. Kwock Chan (Vice-Chairman), Mr. H. Y. Ts'o (Secretary), Hon. Sir Shou-nan Chow, Dr. S. W. Ts'o, Messrs. Chan Kam-por, Wong Mow-lum, Lam Yik-kow, Chan Chung-chi, Lau Yuk-wan, Sinn Pui-kwan, Ng Chak-wah, Tsang Po-ki, Luk Yam-shuen, Chow Sing-chung, Phillip Gockchin, Li Sing-kul, Au Chak-sum, Dr. Li Ping-sum and many others.

## CORRESPONDENCE

## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

The Editor, H.K. Daily Press Sir.—Please allow me, through your correspondence column, to remind readers of the desire of His Majesty the King that Sunday, September 1, being the first Sunday following the second anniversary of the outbreak of war, should be observed as a national day of prayer. Special reference will be made to our national needs at all of the Cathedral services.

There will be no reserved seats; all of the seats in the nave being available as usual. Extra seats will be introduced to increase accommodation if necessary.

A. P. ROSE,  
Chaplain-in-Charge,  
St. John's Cathedral

## UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS

The following is a list of unclaimed telegrams from Shanghai lying at the office of the Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited):—

Tung Kee Co., 36 Gage St.; Chu Che-young, o/o China State Bank; Hui Sui, 463 Great Eastern Hotel; Kan Wan-chun, 18 Sun St.; Chan Man-wai, o/o Luk Kwoi Hotel; Leung Kar-yau, o/o Swatow Co., Queen's Rd.; Lu Wai, 300 Luk Kwoi Hotel; Chiu Chun-sang, Peak Rd.

The death occurred on Aug. 23, at his home 770 Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai, of Albert Corlett Hui, aged 64 years. Funeral services were held at the Bubbling Well Cemetery on August 23.

The death occurred on Aug. 25, 1941, at the Paulin Hospital, Shanghai, of Etevira Azedo Bastida Silva, aged 54 years, mother of Mrs. F. X. Lopes, the Misses Maria Augusta, Aurea Melina and Julia Maria, and Messrs. Alberto Antonio, Jose Maria and Fernando Augusto.

On the occasion of the second anniversary of the Europe in war, many Kuomintang members in Malaya cabled to Prime Minister Winston Churchill saying: "We firmly believe that under your great leadership, Britain will crush the Nazi aggression and final victory for the Democracies will come soon."

The marriage took place on August 2, at Stamford, Lincs., of Flight Lieut. R. J. B. Roach, R.A.F., only son of Capt. and Mrs. R. B. Roach, to "Kit," only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Miles, Stamford, England.

## CHINESE PAPERS CABLE MESSAGE TO CHURCHILL

SINGAPORE, Sept. 3 (Reuter)—

A prominent group of Chinese

newspapers cabled the following

message to the British Prime

Minister, MR. WINSTON CHUR-

CHILL, on the second anniversary

of the war:

"On the second anniversary of the war we send you the following message—Thrusting aside the soft part of your heart, as the Chinese

saying goes, you stand stoutly in the defence of justice. Your able

leadership and loyal support of the

rank and file have enabled Britain to keep the flag flying high for two years.

"Your voice (the Voice of Democ-

racy) is respected and followed by

free peoples throughout the

world. We salute you and wish you early victory."

The papers included in this

group are the Sin Chew Jit Poh

and the Union Times, of Singa-

apore, the Sing Pin Jih Pao, of

Penang, and the Sing Tao Jih Pao,

of Hongkong.

## CHINESE MINISTER TO POLAND PASSES

CHUNGKING, Sept. 3 (Central)

—Word has been received here that Mr. Wang King-ky, Chinese Minister to Poland, passed away at Geneva on August 25 at the age of 57. The cause of death was stomach trouble.

Mr. Wang, a native of Fukien, was born in 1884. He received his early education at the Tse Chiang School, Wuchang, and later went to France to study Political Science, and Law at l'Ecole des Sciences Politiques in Paris.

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# “Profit And Loss” Account Of Naval Warfare To Date

DRAWING UP THE “PROFIT AND LOSS” ACCOUNT OF NAVAL WARFARE TO DATE, NAVAL OFFICERS STATED THAT CONTROL OF THE SEAS, being the keystone to the arch of the Imperial strategy of steady pressure the Navy experienced, had given Britain what she needed and denied it to the enemy, and this should be regarded as one of the greatest underlying causes of victory, says British Wireless.

Defensive measures had been taken against submarines, surface warships, armed commerce raiders, mines and air attack.

Regarding submarines, Germany had been in a favourable position at the beginning of the war, having made up her mind to an unrestricted campaign while the British convoy system could not be started before the hostilities began.

Losses from submarines were high in the first two months, decreasing in the winter when convoys were in full swing. The collapse of France and the improved German position enabled a much heavier submarine attack to be made on ocean routes, while valuable escort vessels were lost by the British in various evasions.

Sparingly escorted convoys led to a six-fold increase of losses in July 1940 compared with the winter and spring months. At the end of 1940 it was possible to put round convoys more satisfactory escorts owing to the result of the building programme of specially designed small vessels.

## LOSSES SOAR

Losses again soared in the spring of 1941, the German submarine building programme bearing fruit, and a threefold number operating. But the British building and the use of other measures has shown recently greatly improved figures in submarine sinkings.

The so-called Battle of the Atlantic is continuous and there will always be need to provide more escorts but will be won because the Navy will keep the shipping losses down to the replacement figure and to the tonnage figure for necessary imports.

Regarding surface warships, it was obvious at the beginning of the war that German warships would be used singly to hunt merchant ships. The authorities were surprised that all the three German pocket battleships were not disposed about the oceans when the war started.

To catch and destroy such vessels, with their great endurance, and fair turn of speed, need heavy British naval armament.

## GRAF SPEE

German losses in the Norwegian campaign cut down the possibilities of surface attack. Today the Graf Spee has been sunk, the Lutzow torpedoed and badly damaged, the Bismarck sunk, and the Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Prinz Eugen bottled up in Brest.

## R.A.F. Bomb Score For Week Ended September 1

The R.A.F. bomb score for the week ended Sept. 1 is as follows:

Total Very Heavy Heavy

Cologne	23	5	16
Bremen	14	3	10
Kiel	12	2	8
Mannerheim	10	5	5
Dusseldorf	13	-	11
Duisberg	10	3	6
Frankfort	9	3	6
Berlin	9	1	7
Hanover	9	-	8
Munster	6	3	2
Hamburg	6	3	2
Emden	8	1	2
Aachen	5	1	3
Essen	3	3	-
Wilhelmshaven	7	-	2
Osnabruck	4	1	2
Karlsruhe	3	1	2
Oldenburg	3	-	2
Magdeburg	3	-	3
Bielefeld	3	-	2
Dortmund	2	1	1
Stettin	2	-	2
Bremenhaven	3	-	1
Hamm	2	-	2
Krefeld	2	-	2
Munchen Gladbach	2	-	2
Rheydt	2	-	1
Vegesack	1	1	-
Brunswick	1	-	1
Leuna	1	-	-
Sylt	1	-	1
Rheine	1	-	1
Cuxhaven	1	-	1
Halle	1	-	-

## SINGAPORE GOVERNOR

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deal with every possible contingency.

The personnel are fit, hard and highly trained, natural mountaineers and well-versed in jungle warfare, and confident of their ability to deal with any enemy likely to be encountered.

Included also are famous units with long traditions in many theatres of war with the latest weapons proved in the Middle East.

### FIRE-WATCHING

Orders have been gazetted enforcing in Singapore fire-watching duties which, within certain limits, will be compulsory.

All buildings come within the scope of the Order, but from time to time premises affected will be specified in the Gazette.

All males between 16 and 65 will be required to become fire-watchers on the premises they work or occupy unless exempted.

## PREMIER AND NEW M.O.I.



Mr. Winston Churchill and Mr. Brendan Bracken, the new Minister of Information, in succession to Mr. A. Duff Cooper, assigned to the Far East as representative of the British War Cabinet.

## GEN. DILL'S MESSAGE TO IMPERIAL FORCES

LONDON, Sept. 3 (Reuter)—GENERAL SIR JOHN DILL, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, in a message to the troops stationed all over the Empire, says: “As we enter into the third year of war, the army can look with pride upon what has passed and with confidence to the future.

“We have passed through times of defeat and anxiety, through weary months of waiting and through days of triumphs and success.

“No one can predict what the future holds for the army which, in two years, by its own endeavour and with the help of its brothers in industry, has grown in strength and efficiency.

“There may still be months of waiting and preparation for some. There may still be heavy blows to be met by others.

“But whether patience or hard work is demanded of the soldiers, they will, I know, carry out the task with high-hearted confidence in the absolute assurance that, whether it comes soon or late, victory will be ours.”

### TOTAL ABOLISHMENT

He would ask Government to consider the total abolishment of the tolls or a reduction of the amount.

If Government was not prepared to consider the subject in relation to both the bridges he would ask that at least one of the bridges be dealt with at present.

In his reply the British Resident said that personally he would like to see the tolls abolished on the bridges but the matter was not so simple as that.

### M. EGAL SAFE

SHANGHAI, Sept. 3 (Reuter)—

M. Roderick Egal, leader of the Free French in Shanghai, arrived

safe and sound in Singapore yes-

terday, according to information

received by the Free French

Agency here. It is recalled that

M. Egal was recently released by

the French authorities in Indo-

China.

Looking well, M. Egal, in a

message to Reuter, paid tribute to

“the British and Free French

friends who worked most un-

ceasingly to secure my freedom,

otherwise I might still be incar-

cerated lengthily,” and expressed

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SYDNEY, Sept. 3 (Reuter)—A warm defence of the British action in resisting the Germans in Greece and Crete was made by MAJOR-GENERAL PUTTICK—who fought in both campaigns—on his arrival from Singapore to take up his appointment as Chief of the New Zealand General Staff.

He described the operations as a tactical defeat, but a strategical victory with extremely important results for Iraq, Syria, Libya and the whole Middle East.

He said that in Crete the Germans lost practically all their best paratroopers and hundreds of aircraft in the critical days of their programme.

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## BURMA WILL FIND IN CHINA GREAT NEIGHBOUR

RANGOON, Sept. 3 (Reuter)—“When in the fullness of time Democracy has triumphed, as it certainly will, we ourselves, as a full self-governing country, will find in China a great neighbour and a first class Power engaged in the common task of preserving the peace of the world.”

## IRANIAN REPLY TO ARMISTICE PROPOSALS

### Details Not Known

VICHY, Sept. 3 (Reuter)—The Iranian Government have been represented by Britain and Russia their reply to the Armistice proposals, says a Tehran dispatch to the Vichy news agency.

Details of the reply will be published shortly.

Reuter's Special correspondent writing from Kermanshah states that over desert wastes and mountain passes, Imperial mobile columns are forging ahead into Iran at a phenomenal speed. So swift is the advance that war correspondents are having the greatest difficulty in keeping pace and maintaining contact.

### INSPIRING RECEPTION

British troops had an inspiring reception here. Crowds lined the streets five deep and although not demonstrative, they were quietly sympathetic.

When trucks and lorries of the mile-long British columns stopped, they were immediately surrounded by crowds of interested inhabitants who offered fruit and vegetables to the soldiers.

Stocks of wheat are already arriving to refill the granaries which had been emptied on behalf of the Nazis. I saw truckload after truckload of sacks of wheat rumbling into Kermanshah close in the wake of the British forces.

## AIR FREIGHT SERVICE INSPECTORATE

It is learned that the Ministry of Communications has decided to set up an Air Freight Service Inspectorate in Hongkong with Mr. Huang Pai-chiao, former Managing-Director of the Nanking-Shanghai Railway and the Shanghai-Hangchow-Ningpo Railway, as Inspector-General.

The newspaper adds that the United States defence production is far from satisfactory at the present time as the productive structure of the nation is not being carried out smoothly and also the labouring class, as a whole, is not whole-heartedly backing the United States Government's all-out policy of aid to Britain.

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The function of the Inspectorate is to inspect freight transport handled by the Hongkong offices of the China National Aviation Corporation and the Eurasia Aviation Corporation in order to increase transport efficiency and prevent any irregularities as recently there have been reports that unscrupulous transport agents have been manipulating air freight rates and profiteering by other irregular methods.

The Inspectorate will examine and approve or reject applications for air freight transport and also decide on the urgency of the freight to be transported. It will also be empowered to examine the freight transport accounts, bills and other documents of the Hongkong offices of the two aviation corporations as well as the freight handled.

A set of regulations governing the inspection of air freight service has been promulgated by the Ministry of Communications, effective Sept. 11.

## CHINESE PLANES OVER SHUMCHUN

Chinese planes appeared over Shumchun, Pukut, Kalkungshan and other points along the Canton-Kowloon Railway on Monday. Japanese troops took shelter in civilian houses.

Since then, the Japanese have camouflaged all things that may serve as targets in air raids, and have announced that in case of air raids, alarms will be given by blowing the bugle. Civilians will be strictly forbidden to appear on the streets during an air raid.

Japanese military transport in Nan-tau and Shumchun has been extensive during the past few days with army trucks and other vehicles going to and fro in succession.

Two Japanese transports and about 30 armed trawlers have arrived off the Chokwan coast where they have been busily loading and unloading.

## TYPHOON NEAR S.E. COAST OF HAINAN

The latest typhoon threat to the Colony was considered to have been entirely removed at 7 a.m. yesterday when the No. 1 Signal, hoisted at 2 p.m. on Monday, was taken down.

The typhoon was reported last night to be moving northwest and threatening to enter the coast west of Fort Bayard. It brought in its wake 0.810 inches of rain, more than enough to wash out the afternoon's sport programme.

The typhoon formed in the late afternoon of Aug. 31 near the east coast of North Luzon.

### WESTERLY TRACK

It crossed Luzon about 130 miles to the north of Manila on the night of Aug. 31-Sept. 1, moving on a westerly track, and at 6 a.m. on the morning of Sept. 1 was some 180 miles north-west of Manila.

It continued on a westerly course and at 6 a.m. on Sept. 2 was some 350 miles S. by E. of Hongkong.

From then on it gave indications of moving north-west, with a possibility of recurving northward.

The No. 1 Signal was hoisted at 2 p.m., the typhoon at that time, being about 250 miles south of Hongkong and deepening.

At 6 a.m. yesterday the typhoon, which had become severe in intensity, was near the south-east coast of Hainan, and moving west-north-west.

## STOP PRESS

TOKYO, Sept. 4 (Reuter)—There is no indication that the route for sending supplies to Russia has been shifted from Vladivostock to Iran, says the Asahi's Los Angeles correspondent.

He adds that the MOJAVE, a 6,900-ton tanker of the General Oil Company, carrying 75,000 barrels of high octane gasoline, sailed from San Pedro presumably for Russia on Sept. 1, while the Minsk, a Soviet freighter with a capacity of refined oil and machine tools, is scheduled to sail from the east coast today or tomorrow.

Two generals detained will be released on the return of two British officers who are sick and have not yet reached Syria.

The reason for the escort it is understood, is to prevent the Vichy personnel from carrying out any hostile propaganda in Syria.

It is also learned that Gen. Wilson has given Gen. Dentz a letter for delivery to Marshal Petain, complaining of the treatment accorded to British prisoners by the French, saying that the treatment was unworthy of French traditions.

The Viceroy paid tribute to the factory workers and merchant seamen, and concluded by declaring: “The Nazi and all his

## SENSATIONAL REVELATION AT INQUIRY INTO A.R.P.

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supervisor was appointed by him self in the case of each individual contract.

The Chairman: Who supervised the work on behalf of Government?—It all depends. For instance in the case of maintenance of houses, it was Mr. Feltham, in the case of the Shingmun Catchwater, it was Mr. Bishop.

Witness said that everything was passed by the Executive Engineer, Mr. Feltham. In the case of the North Point seawall it was Mr. Key. Mr. Feltham paid visits once or twice a week.

Referring to the seawall extension at North Point, the Chairman asked: Do they get all the stones from A.R.P. tunnels? Some stones were dumped on my site. By whom I don't know, but I think the dumping of stones there was allowed.

Witness continued that big stones were taken from the dump by his firm to break into smaller stones for work on the seawall.

Did you pay for them?—No.

Who is the extraordinary person who makes you a present of the stones? It is not my business to find out who dumped the stones there.

### CONTRACT FOR

Witness explained that stones were contracted for with a sub-contractor. He removed the big stones to be broken up. The spaces from which the big stones were removed were later filled up with earth.

Who is the sub-contractor?—I myself do not know the sub-contractor.

What is his name?—Wong Sang Yue.

Where is his office?—I know the location, but I do not know the number I have so many sub-contractors."

Witness agreed to find out and bring the man to attend the inquiry today.

The Chairman: Has the firm made concrete blocks for the A.R.P. Department?—Yes.

When did you start?—In Sept. or Oct. last year.

Who instructed you?—Mr. Hobbs gave the order. Tenders were called for and we were engaged.

How were you engaged?—Verbally by Mr. Hobbs.

What was the total value of that contract?—The first lot was for 250,000 blocks at 49 cents each, the second for 100,000 blocks and the third for 75,000 at the same price as the first lot—49 cents each.

So you have made 426,000 blocks for the A.R.P. at 49 cents each. All this on verbal instructions from Mr. Hobbs—I do not think they were all verbal instructions. Some were written instructions.

Witness agreed to produce all written instructions or contracts relating to the making of concrete blocks for the A.R.P. Department whether from Mr. Hobbs or anyone else.

### SIZE OF BLOCK

The Chairman: What was the size of the block?—17 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Witness then explained that the size originally was 18" x 9" x 9" but after discussion it was found that the measurements were not proper so they were changed to the size mentioned.

When the tender was accepted the size was for 18" x 9" x 9"?—No.

Are you perfectly sure?—I have no doubt about it.

Witness said that the blocks were manufactured in a block yard in Arsenal Street.

The Chairman: When the blocks were finished where were they stored?—On one side of the yard.

Who came and tested them?—Once a week, a sample block was taken away to be tested. By whom I do not know.

By an official of the A.R.P. Department?—I cannot say, I must make inquiries.

Who then can tell, your foreman?—Yes.

Who is your foreman?—Lam Kwal.

Let's have his address.—I do not know his address.

Will you bring him here tomorrow morning?—Yes.

### 2,000 BLOCKS

How many blocks were delivered every week?—The contract required 2,000 blocks a day. Sometimes we made 100 more and sometimes 100 less a day.

How many were delivered in a week?—When blocks were required then they would be taken away.

The Chairman then gave witness two photographs to scrutinise, explaining that one was of blocks being made.

"In one of the photos is a man. Do you know what the man is doing?—I do not know.

Have a look at that photograph and tell me if some of the blocks haven't got cracks in them?—Those are not cracks but "cavities" caused by water.

The Chairman then asked witness to examine the photograph produced and after having done so, witness replied: I see some of the blocks are cracked.

The Chairman: Not some of them, most of them are cracked.

—Yes according to the photograph. And were those all condemned?—Certainly.

Chairman (to interpreter): Tell him that we intend to test the truth of that statement. Witness then went on to say that some of the cracks were caused in the process of loading and unloading from lorries.

Chairman:—Nevertheless, cracked blocks have been used?—Very rarely.

The Commission intend to pull down a few of these walls and test the blocks. Do you know what pressure these blocks have to withstand?—No.

Chairman (examining one of the books produced by witness): On page 1 of this book there is a list of eight banks.—Yes.

Have you got accounts in each one of these banks?—Yes.

### NO TESTING MACHINE

Is it not down in the specification?—Yes. It is in the specification test, but I haven't a machine to test these blocks. Witness added that this was his firm's first experience in connection with a job regarding blocks.

Chairman:—You do not know what pressure the blocks have to withstand?—No.

But I take it you followed specification and used the material specified?—Oh, Yes.

In answer to a question whether any other firm was engaged in making these blocks, witness gave the names of Sang Tai, contractor, and South China Spurcure.

Chairman:—Are you aware of the sites where your concrete blocks were used to make walls?—I know them.

Let us know them:—Southern Playground, Possession Street, G.C.H. site, Sand Street, Ellis Kadoorie playground, Pok-fu Road (opposite old Salyung-pun school), Wongneungcheong Road, Wanchai old market site. There are other sites, but I do not remember them. Witness went on to say, regarding the walls built on these sites, that not all the blocks used were supplied by his company.

Chairman:—Are any of these blocks used for making walls?—On yes. When Tung Shan came and took away some of our blocks, I think some of these were used for walls.

Do you know Concrete Products?

—Is it the same as Henry Gray?—Yes. I have heard of the name; but I do not know the firm.

### AT 38 CENTS

The Chairman then said that Concrete Products were a firm that specialised in making concrete blocks and they had offered to make 400,000 concrete blocks according to a specification sent out from London at 38 cents per block.

That offer was made to the Director of A.R.P. and Mr. Hobbs, and the size of the block was 18 x 9 x 9.

In spite of that, the tender was not accepted but Sang Lee and the two other firms were given the contract at 49 cents per smaller blocks. Those are facts, said the witness.

Chairman, who asked witness if he was surprised to hear that.

Witness:—It all depends on how the blocks were manufactured. If they were turned out in mass and by machinery, no doubt they would be cheaper than blocks made in small quantities and by hand.

Chairman:—Quite. But are you surprised that the A.R.P. people should have given the other firms the contract?—Naturally, I cannot say why.

I cannot see either.

Mr. Bellamy then put the following questions to witness.

You say that your firm are not competitors with Tung Shan?—

Don't you tender for the same type of work?—In that case, yes.

Then you are competitors?—In that case, yes.

Your firm got a very important Government contract in 1940, and Tung Shan got it this year. Did you tender this year?—Yes.

Were you not disappointed not to have got it this year?—Yes.

### BOOKS PRODUCED

Mr. Cheng Chik-chi, managing director of the China Bus Metal factory, who was told at the previous hearing to produce certain books, was next to be called.

He produced the books, naming each as he handed it up, stating that these were for 1940 and 1941.

You were told by me to produce books from January 1, 1938, why haven't you done so?—I began having any dealing with Government only from July 1940. There was a fire and as a result some of the books were missing.

Do I understand you have no books for 1938?—I have them but they are incomplete. If you want them I can produce them.

We do want them. Produce the books at 3 o'clock this afternoon—I am afraid that because of the fire these books for 1938 may not be complete.

That doesn't matter. Produce them.

Have you a bank pass book?—Yes.

How many banks do you deal with?—The Wah Klu Bank, Swatow Commercial Bank, Bank of China, Central Government Bank and Kwai Wah Bank.

Chairman (examining one of the books produced by witness): On page 1 of this book there is a list of eight banks.—Yes.

Have you got accounts in each one of these banks?—Yes.

### GIVING DINNERS

Here's an item marked entertainment. What does that mean?—It means giving dinners and in some cases giving presents on festive occasions.

To whom?—Relatives and business friends.

Within your memory what is the highest amount you ever spent in a month on entertainment?—According to the best of my recollection the highest amount spent is about \$1,000 but never more.

And did you always get receipts?—Yes, giving dinners at restaurants and giving presents, say when a man is opening up a new shop and we present him with mirror, we always get a receipt.

When did you last give a dinner party?—About a week ago.

What restaurant was this held in?—Our dinners are mostly given at the Ham Loong Restaurant.

Was Mr. B. C. Lam there?—Yes. Were there any other guests?—Any Europeans?—No.

Have you ever had any Europeans at any of these parties?—Very rarely.

When was the last party you gave at which Europeans were present?—About a month ago. We gave a dinner to the staff of Reiss Bradley and Co. and a Mr. Morrison was there. I have a list of the guests and can produce it if you wish.

Yes, produce it. Has Miss Mimi Lau ever attended any of your parties?—No.

### NOT POLICY

Do you know if she had attended any party given by Mr. B. C. Lam?—I don't think so because it is not the policy of our firm to send ladies out to meet business people.

Do you know Mr. Hobbs?—I have never heard of him.

Do you know Comdr. Steele-Perkins?—Yes, slightly.

Have you ever met him at any party?—No.

You know Mimi Lau, don't you?—Yes.

You gave her a job?—Yes.

At \$200 a month?—Yes.

For filing letters—Well, strictly speaking she is not worth \$200 a month but the reason why she was paid this amount was more of a charity and favour.

You do that with any other employee?—Yes, I extend the same favour to the employees who came here as refugees.

So you paid this girl \$200 from a charity point of view but she is not really worth that?—Yes.

You say she got in touch with you in January or February?—Yes.

You know if this girl has any other source of income?—I don't know.

Chairman: I am telling you this. In the course of six months, on \$200 a month she has been able to give \$5,000—is that so?

GETTING NOTHING

Yes, and I'll tell you something more. Before you employed her she was getting nothing at all, and on June 14, she was introduced to the Mercantile Bank by Comdr. Steele-Perkins and deposited \$5,000. Is that so?—I did not know that. She does not stay all the time in the office, she goes out to play about all the time.

What do you mean by play?

## WOMAN SHOOTS MAN IN P.I. ARMY DEPOT & TELLS POLICE HER REASONS

Philippine Army officers and employers in the records section of the finance service, PA general depot on Muelle de la Industria, were thrown into a commotion recently when a young girl, later identified as Juana Razona y Quinones, 20, walked into the office and fired a shot from a "palik" pistol of local manufacture, at Nicomedes Morabe, 21, a clerk in that office, reports the Manila Bulletin.

Morabe had a premonition of what was coming and turned sideways. He was hit in the right arm, the bullet traversing the arm and grazing his right shoulder blade. He was taken to Philippine General Hospital, where his condition was reported not serious. The girl was promptly caught by an army sergeant who turned her over to the secret service.

A short time later he induced her to become a taxi dancer, and later he sent her "deeper in the fire," according to her.

For three years she supported him in his studies, giving her all to help him. "I fed him, I clothed him, I paid the house rent," she told secret service investigators.

### GATE HER OFF

"I acceded to his every request, although my soul revolted when he placed me in hands of white slave traffickers. He despoiled me of all my furniture, of all my savings which I intended to send to my parents."

Then he decided to cast her off, after promising marriage last July 3. She pleaded with him to come back, but although he called on her at their last home, 872 Sto. Cristo, on several occasions, he refused to live with her any more.

Desperate, she bought the "palik" from a casual acquaintance several days ago and decided to kill him. She went to his office with the intention of killing Morabe she admitted.

### TALE OF WOE

At secret service headquarters the girl admitted she shot at Morabe, relating a tale of woe to

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## MORE VOLUNTEERS FOR DE GAULLE

CAIRO, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — One hundred and twenty members of the crew of the *Provence*, which is one of the three French vessels in Beirut for the repatriation of Vichy supporters, threw themselves into Beirut harbour and swam ashore where they joined General De Gaulle's Free French forces.

The entire crew of the Province had been picked from a special camp near Toulon as staunch Pétainist sailors and had been repeatedly sworn allegiance to Vichy.

Not a single man of the 120 was actually seaman which has resulted in Vichy issuing a decree providing 20 years' imprisonment for non-seamen who pose as sailors.

LANCHOW, Sept. 3 (Central) — One of the Japanese planes which raided Lanchow on August 31 was hit by Chinese anti-aircraft fire and crashed in the suburb of the city. The wreckage of the plane has been located and all the six airmen therein were found to have been burned to death.

## HINT OF RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE GLEANED IN VAGUE WORDING OF THE OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUES

LONDON, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — It is likely that before long some concrete territorial gain or circumstantial account of the progress of the struggle will emerge from either side to elucidate the state of the main German threat to Leningrad or the apparent Soviet threat directed by Marshal Timoshenko to both flanks of General von Boch's army holding the German front from Smolensk to the northern boundary of the Pripyat Marshes.

On the Nazi right flank, the Russians are reported to have made a strong thrust along the Rogachev-Bobruisk road, which may be confirmed by the German mention of fighting in Bobruisk itself.

If the Soviet forces can strike south in strength from this, their new salient and join forces with the Red Army still holding out in the northern part of the Pripyat Marshes, one German spearhead towards Gomel will be nipped clear and not only will the threat to flank Marshal Budenny's army in the Ukraine be removed but the Germans will have suffered their first major reverse of the war.

## "WAGING BATTLES"

The first official hint that the Soviet High Command is taking the offensive in some sectors on the eastern front may be contained in yesterday's Russian communiqué which varies the language consistently used in the past to refer to the Soviet Army "waging battles" along the entire front.

This formula may be purposely vague to cover both "stern resistance," which has been the common lot of the Russian army in the past 11 weeks, and "counter-attacks" to which the Russians are loath to commit themselves publicly.

Authoritative quarters in London are still without any direct confirmation of reported counter-attacks and are able merely to content themselves with such deductions or to assume that as these reports emanate chiefly from German sources, they may be merely an over-subtle form of Nazi propaganda designed to provide excuses to the German people for lack of any recent German advances.

## ACCORDING TO PLAN

Rather naturally, the German High Command does not subscribe to these stories but contents itself with asserting that operations are proceeding according to plan — a claim which hardly can be reconciled with the vigorous counter-attack by its enemy.

It is difficult under the circumstances yet to appreciate the situation, the most hopeful aspect of which may truly be as reported from comment.

This attitude was interpreted as due to the Japanese Government's desire to make every effort to reach a modus vivendi with the United States.

Should the crisis develop it is regarded probable that Admiral Nomura would be recalled to become the Premier, says the correspondent, adding that observers point out that although Japan has received no response to representations concerning the despatch of oil to Russia by the United States, Japanese officials refrained from comment.

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There is a definite relationship between the clearing of jungle and old rubber and the spread of acute malaria in kampongs.

Research has shown that the further houses are from these clearings, the smaller is the incidence of malaria. Warning is given in the uncontrolled methods of opening kampong land in country which offers suitable breeding ground for the Anopheles mosquito.

Control of malaria in Cameron Highlands is a stage further in the amendment proposed to control the felling of jungle in that area and the carrying out of any necessary anti-malarial work at the expense of the landowner.

The State and Medical Officer for Perak and Negri Sembilan are of the opinion that the present Enactment, with the amendments pending, are sufficient for the control of the felling of jungle. But the State Medical and Health Officer, Pathang, wants an amendment which will give to the authorities the power of cancelling the title deed to the land.

He contends that the threat of cancellation is a far greater deterrent than the prosecution under the Enactment.

His experience has been that the comparatively small fines which have so far been imposed have had little deterrent effect.

The Board also considered a request from the Army Headquarters Liaison Officer to remedy the present shortage of anti-malarial overcoats. Train-

## GENERAL

## Thai Appeal For Peace

BANGKOK, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — With the European war entering into the third year, the Thai Government yesterday issued a 2,000-word appeal to belligerents as well as neutral countries and to religious, educational and charitable institutions throughout the world to do all they can to bring about world peace.

It is pointed out that the appeal is essentially inspired by the religious outlook of the Thais who, as Buddhists, ardently desire peace and happiness of the whole world.

"Therefore, the smallness of our country's size," adds the appeal, "does not deter us from urging the great Powers to work for an immediate restoration of peace."

## THAI PREMIER MADE SPECIAL C-IN-C OF THAI NAVY, AIR FORCE

BANGKOK, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — It is officially announced that Premier Field Marshal Luang Pibul Songram who is also Commander-in-Chief of the Thai Army, has been appointed Special Commander-in-Chief of the Thai Navy and Thai Air Force.

Alread<sup>y</sup> there is a separate Commander-in-Chief of the Navy and Air Force.

The announcement is generally considered as another important step in Thailand's preparedness to meet all the eventualities in the present critical situation in the Far East.

It will be recalled that the Premier recently lightened his own burden of departmental duties by relinquishing three portfolios, the Defence, Foreign Affairs and the Interior.

Meanwhile, Bangkok is going ahead with A.R.P. work and air raid shelters are under construction on the many open sites in the centre of the city and parks on the city's outskirts.

from Stockholm yesterday assert that both the Russian and German armies appear to be engaged in a more stationary struggle than at any stage since the Stalin Defence Line was claimed by the Germans to have been pierced in July.

## "Devil Drives" Against Malaria In Kampongs

In kampongs in the upper part of the Ulu Jembol Valley, F.M.S., the people still resort to the wiles of the "pawang" to help them in their fight against malaria, reports the Malaria Advisory Board. They carried out two "devil drives" in July, 1940, and January 1941, against the power of darkness which had beset them with their fevers.

The scientific explanation of the Malaria Research Officer is that this was due to the indiscriminate felling of trees and general clearing up of the land in new agency.

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At the suggestion of the Board, the State Health and Medical Departments have agreed to train a certain number of men. These trainees would receive the same pay as their civil counterparts and would, in addition, draw rations and certain allowances.

At a suitable stage in their training, all the men will be sent to the Institute for Medical Research for training in the entomological side of their work.

Estates are urged to follow the Government lead in increasing their stores of anti-malarial oil from the usual three-month supply to the equivalent of six months.

Unfortunately, the two big oil companies in the country state that the available supply of drums is inadequate to allow of additional stocks being held down without bulking.

To obviate this, the estates are having large storage tanks built. The obstacle here is the shortage of the necessary steel. Tanks may, however, be made of concrete.

The Singapore Municipality are storing their oil in concrete tanks and have found them quite satisfactory.

LONDON, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — Two new regulations came into force yesterday, states the Vichy news agency. Jews, who no longer may be allowed to own wireless receiving sets, Cafes and restaurants will not be allowed to serve alcoholic drinks to young people under 20.

## AUSSIE AIRMEN DESTROY TWO MESSERSCHMITS

LONDON, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — The two Messerschmits which, as reported in an Air Ministry communiqué, were destroyed by British fighters yesterday morning were "popped" by the Fighter Command's first Australian squadron, says an Air Ministry news service.

This squadron last month was the Command's top scorer, bringing down 18 out of the month's total of 124 enemy planes.

No enemy aircraft appeared to intercept the R.A.F. machines and successful bomb hits were reported by the British pilots in the face of heavy "flak" (anti-aircraft fire) from escort ships and batteries.

Pilots of the Hurricane fighter squadron also participating in the attacks dived and set one of the escorting "flak" ships on fire. Other Hurricanes silenced the guns on another flak ship.

## M.E.S. ENCOUNTERED

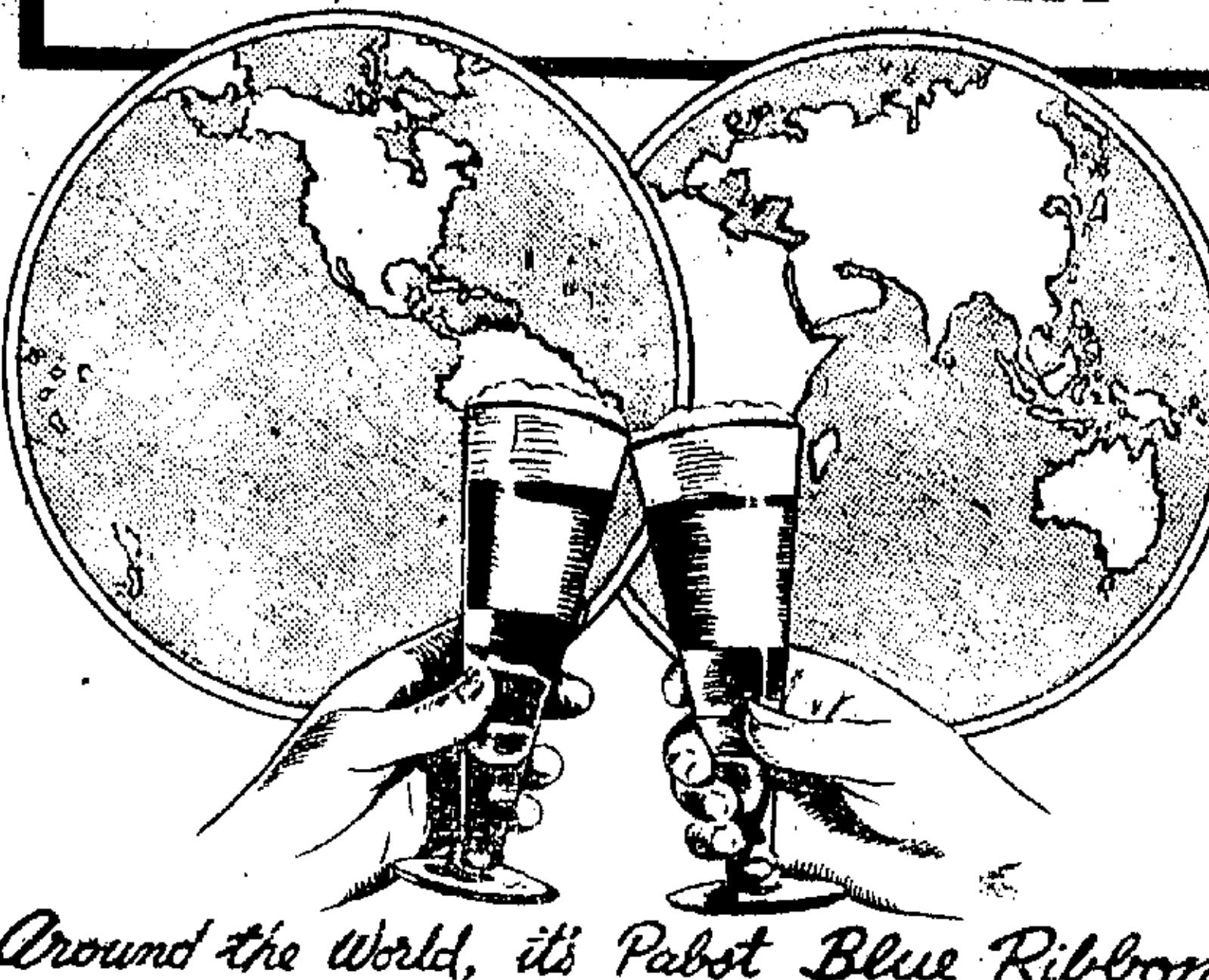
On the return journey, two Messerschmits were seen protecting E-boats. A Free French pilot made a feint attack on the Germans who made off.

Immediately afterwards two Messerschmits, probably the same ones, tried to attack a section of the Australian squadron. The Australian pilots reported that both were shot down into the sea.

The enemy pilots are thought to have been inexperienced.

VICHY, Sept. 3 (Reuter) — The condition of both M. Laval and M. Deat continues to show a considerable improvement, states the Vichy news agency yesterday evening.

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## 'RICHEST WOMAN' HAD TO LIVE LIKE 'TRAMP'

(TRIBUNE STAFF REPORTER)

The Ranee of Sarawak, often described in America as the "richest woman in the world," had during one stage of her stay in the United States to live "like a tramp," doing the cooking and washing herself.

She described to a Tribune reporter after her arrival in Singapore by Clipper how she earned the money herself to pay for her flight out east. The currency regulations prevented any money reaching her.

The Ranee left Sarawak almost two years ago and but for a little over four months spent in London, during the height of the bombing, spent the remaining months in the States. During the first four months of her arrival, she was booked for a lecture tour and everything went off to schedule, but her troubles began with the financial restrictions imposed as the war progressed.

Time came when nearly all her available cash was spent. All at-

## FREE FRENCH ENVY IN BATAVIA

M. Charles Baron, leader of the Free French in the Far East, and a British officer, are staying in Batavia.

In an interview with the Batavia Nieuwsblad, M. Baron gave some facts about the growth of the Free French movement. He stated that at least 90 per cent of the French in Cochin-China are for General de Gaulle and opposed to Vichy.

In Hanoi conditions are somewhat different, as the majority of the European population there are Government officials, for whom their pension is of paramount importance. Vichy is most strongly represented by the older Government officials.

### ONE OBJECT

"The Free French," said M. Baron, "are not interested in politics. We have only one object, and that is to liberate France from her oppressors and maintain our rights to join in the organisation of peace on the strength of the sacrifices we have made in the common cause of democracy."

"We have also taken upon ourselves to convince the world that Vichy is not France but the antithesis of France. The world must know that the French people have not capitulated but that they cannot express their true feelings because they are muzzled by the Gestapo and the political police of Darlan, the man whose name will live in the history of France as the French Quisling."

M. Baron added that General de Gaulle's legions are rapidly growing, wherever they exist. He was immensely struck by the sympathy shown for his work, and for France, in the NEI.

## Scrap Collection: War Effort Helped

(TRIBUNE STAFF REPORTER)

Malaya's scrap collection campaign is providing needed jobs for many women and men who were out of work previously. They are being employed at present in sorting out and cleaning the daily collections of valuable waste, their pay coming from the profits made by the sale of this salvaged "rubbish."

It needed the war to demonstrate how much was being wasted in Malaya. With the institution of the scrap collection campaign, hundreds of tons of paper, iron, tin plate and steel have been saved and new ways to use them are being found daily.

When the campaign started many wondered how Mr. Cherry, head of the department organising the collection, was going to find use for the material he would get.

But if these people expected to see one giant scrap heap where a thousand existed before, they have since been proved very wrong.

Scrap has become part of Malaya's war effort and at frequent intervals, ships going to India carry tons of paper and iron which, soon after arrival in India, disappear into mills to appear again later as the raw material for cartridge cases and guns.

But there have been problems. One has been wondering how to dispose of scrap steel. There are no steel mills in or near Malaya ready to use what we have, but at least information is that the difficulty might disappear.

South Africa has heard of our collections and has asked for all the scrap steel we can give them. When next a ship is available to carry the big quantity of steel collected in the country, South Africa will get the steel. It is asked for from Malaya.

## Finance and Commerce

### LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Sept. 2.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

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War Loan, 3½% (Red. after 1952) 105-7 16  
Defence Loan, 3% 101½  
Canton-K'loon Rly. 5% 13  
Chinese 4½% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue) 47  
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds 1925/47 45  
Chin. 4½% Anglo-French Loan 1908 45  
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan 1912 30½  
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Is.) 38  
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes 1925 (Vickers) 10  
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan 57  
Honan Rly. 5% 1905 14  
Hukuang Rly. 5% 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue) 15  
Hukuang Rly. 5% 1911 (German Issue) 13  
Lung Tsing & U. Ha Rly. 5% 1913 13  
Shai-Nanking Rly. 5% 17  
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.) 12½  
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.) 12½  
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 12½  
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 12½  
Jap. 6% Ster. Loan 1924 28-29  
Ger. 7% Int'l. Loan 1924 6  
Chartered Bank 9½  
H.K. & Shai Banking Corp. (Ldn. Reg.) 79  
H.K. & Shai Banking Corp. (Col. Reg.) 85  
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer) 13/6  
Chosen Corporation 4½  
Mercantile Bank of India, £8, "C" 11½  
Pekin Syndicate 1½  
Shai Elec. Constr. Co. 15/—  
Shai Waterworks "A" 15  
Union Insurance 22  
Gula Kalumpong Rubber 15  
Lon. Mid. & Scot. Rly. 15½  
Great Western Rly. 42  
National Bank of India 31½  
B-A. Tob. (bearer) 88/9  
Dunlop Rubber 35/6  
Bristol Aeroplane 10/9  
Imperial Chemical Ind. 31/10½  
United Stree. 23/4  
Woolworths 58/—  
Marsman Investments 6/3  
Western Holdings 18/—  
Sub-Nig. 143/9  
Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer) 51/10½  
\* bid. t ex. div.

The Ranee's arrival in Singapore was unknown to the Rajah of Sarawak and the first thing she did was to send him a wire. She, on the other hand, had had recent news from Sarawak.

The Ranee said that her children and grandchildren were all very well in England and she hoped to spend Christmas with them in the "old country" war or no war.

Questioned about America's war effort, the Ranee described it as "wonderful." She added, "The Americans are putting every effort into it and their every thought is for a British victory."

The Ranee also mentioned that America was collecting an "incredible" sum of money for both Britain and China by various ways and means.

### INT'L LABOUR CONFERENCE

CHUNGKING, Sept. 3 (Central)

In response to the invitation of the International Labour Office, the National Government has decided to send three delegates to the International Labour Conference which is scheduled to be held in New York on October 27.

Upon the recommendation of

the Ministry of Social Welfare, the Executive Yuan has appointed

Mr. Li Ping-heng to be the dele-

gate of the Chinese Government

with Messrs. Chu Hsueh-fan and

Kinn-wei Shaw representing the

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## 800 AMERICANS IN FREE CHINA CALM AND UNAFRAID

CHUNGKING, Aug. 21.—While the question of evacuating Americans from various parts of the Far East has become one of increasing gravity, between eight and nine hundred Americans are continuing to live and work in much bombed Free China with little thought or worry about evacuating, writes Francis M. Fisher in the Manila Bulletin.

In fact, the number of Americans in Free China is believed to be slightly increasing as missionaries are arriving from occupied areas while an increasing number of Americans of other categories are coming to assist China's war effort.

The exact number of Americans residing in Free China is unknown, but as of Jan. 1 there were 840 Americans registered as residing in the Kunming consular district, which embraces most of Free China.

## 1,000 BY END OF YEAR

Of this number, 620 were adults. Approximately 520 were missionaries, 20 were employees of the United States government, 20 were employees of various Chinese government organizations, 12 were businessmen and 10 were newspapermen. The total did not include the personnel of the gunboat USS Tutuila—three officers and about 16 men.

These figures did not include a number of Americans visiting China from time to time, who do not register with the consulate.

By the end of this year, the total number of Americans in Free China will probably increase to the neighbourhood of 1,000, with the expected arrival of an American medical commission for the Yunnan-Burma railroad, a group of American volunteer pilots, mechanics and ground crew men, and transportation experts and technicians for the Burma road.

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Meanwhile, the training for co-operatives workers is proceeding. More than 600 candidates are now under training in Nanning alone. (Central News).

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Organisation of a Sikong branch of the Chinese Institute of Journalism was decided upon at a meeting of the local newspapermen in celebration of Chinese Journalists' Day. (Central News).

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A.R.P. Orders by Wing-Commander  
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## EQUIPMENT RETURNS

Divisional Wardens are requested to send in September equipment inspection returns as soon as possible.

RATIONING AND FEEDING  
OF WARDENS

Divisional Wardens are requested to expedite their returns called for in the following circulars. Circulars dated Aug. 11 and 18.

## STRENGTH DECREASE

The following Wardens have been permitted to resign—Kowloon Headquarters—District Warden Miss W. Robinson, 3909T Hanson Drummond. Kowloon City—4023 Miss Kwan Wan-chong, 2041 S/W Ho Hung-che, Central—G/W 107 Lee Po-hong, 421 Chung Chok-yung, 920 Miss Shei Shiu-kwan Western—3176 Chan Yul-chuen. Bay View—981T Mrs P. Elarte

The following Wardens have been struck off the strength of the Corps—Central—D. S/W 425 Lo Wing-kook, 398 Leung Kam-lam. Mongkok—3613 Wong Hoo, D. S/W 1869 Li Shui-chong Western—1065 Miss Lee Shok-ying Dismissed for dishonesty—Eastern—Warden 2521 Wong Yue-ge.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Eastern—D. S/W 2767 Kam Wing-kong (U.L.) to 132 Johnston Road, ground floor, Aberdeen—S/W 146 Chan Pak-hong to 208 Main Street, 2nd floor, Central—601 Lai Kin-wai (U.L.) to 13A Caine Road, 2nd floor

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Bay View—G/W 48 Wo Kal-kwan till Nov. 1 Central—S/W 141 Miss Yuen Lin-sheung and D. S/W 142 Miss Yuen Lin-chun till Dec. 1.

## APPOINTMENT

The following appointment is notified with effect from Sept. 2. Quarry Bay—S/W 1803 Wong On-ku to be Deputy District Warden, District "A."

## PROMOTIONS

The following promotions are notified with effect from Sept. 3—Quarry Bay—To be Deputy Senior Warden 1255 Law Shek, 1278 Kong Chi-tung and 2720 Cheung Wing-tak. Eastern—To be Senior Wardens D. S/Ws 830 Ho Woon-kam, Wong Sau-san and Lau Kam-chee. To be Deputy Senior Wardens—856 Chan Shui-fai, 3991 Lo Chi-hung, 3254 Leung Chun-kwai, 901 Miss Lo Lan-fan, 707 Miss Chan Wal-lim, 3598 Wong Kit-chun, 2916 Li Mai-wayai, 2657 Ho Kwok-pun, 3529 Yung Yu, 2359 Romny Pun, 1353 Wong Pak-ho, 3041 Yau Yui-fong, 1846 Li Sau-hong, 1848 Li Sau-kwan, 811 Wong Chui-ha, 959 Cheuk Kwok-moon, 910 Wong Sook-yue, 790 Chan Yuk-she, Mongkok—To be Deputy Senior Wardens, 3760 Miss Tse Mo-ym, 1714 Chan Sau-tak, 1851 Miss A. J. Brown.

## REVERSION

Central—Deputy District Warden Liu Kwan-hin and Deputy District Warden Chan Yee-kee revert to the rank of Wardens at their own request.

## TRANSFER

Western—185 Liu Kwan-hin and 186 Chan Yee-kee transferred from Central to Western Division A.R.P. Headquarters, Hongkong—730 Miss H. Batchin formerly of Central Division.

## INSTRUCTIONAL COURSES

Wardens Classes in Chinese (syllabus "A")

C387 Chin Woo Athletic Association, Nathan Rd. Mondays and Thursdays at 7.30 p.m. commencing Sept. 4. Lecturer—Mr. E. S. Chen, L.A.R.P.S. C388 Yuet San School, Yue Chau Street, Shamshui Po, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 3 p.m. commencing on Sept. 4. Lecturer—Mr. Li Yiu-hor, L.A.R.P.S. C389 Yiu Chung School, Sai Yee St., Mongkok, Wednesdays and Saturdays at 7.30 p.m. commencing on Sept. 6. Lecturer—Mr. Fan Gi-men, L.A.R.P.S. C390 Southville Island Rd. Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. commencing on Sept. 10. Lecturer—Mr. Paul Chak, L.A.R.P.S.

## ATTESTATION MEETINGS

There will be no attestation meetings next week.

## EXAMINATION RESULTS

The following qualified as A.R.P. wardens but are not available for service—Lee Kok-sang, Chol Hart-lai, Ma Yiu-kut.

The following are qualified L.A.R.P.S. Instructors—R. C. 1<sup>st</sup> members.

Ho Hin-kan, C. L. Kwok, Wm. C. Wong, C. T. Bailey, R. Abraham, Young Tak-wah, Eric Tang, Young Fai-wah.

## STRENGTH INCREASE

The following qualified as Wardens and are posted to Divisions as hereunder:—Central—408 Chau Wah-king, 2024 Chau Sik, 438 Cheung Szew-ling, 2024 Chu Hung-kai, 2054 Lee Kit, 4395 Lo Wan-jung, 4314 Li Hon-kwong, 4380 Li Pui-lin, 4367 Lo Hong-kwong, 4385 Mak Kun-tong, 4389 Pooh Shui-chung, 4395 Shum Ho-ki, 4391 Tao Sin-oh, 4393 Wong King, 4311 Yeung King-man, 4371 Poon Taek-shan, 4301 So Fai-yeo, Gough Hill—1517 L. L. Mills, Upper Levels—603 Lam Hart-chee, A.R.P. Headquarters—4376 R. M. Arab, Aberdeen—3001 Chan Cheung, 4400 Ip Pak-yu, 4401 Leung

Husbands Seek Inquiry  
Into Evacuation

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be unable to see His Excellency except by arrangements for an interview made through the regular channels.

In order to carry out the mandate given them, the new Committee, however, decided to present themselves at Government House at 6 p.m. on Friday, said Mr. Banks.

When they arrived there at 5.55 p.m. went on Mr. Banks, they were met by a POLICE PICKET AND A DOUBLE ROW OF ARMED GUARDS AT THE GATE (Ironical laughter).

The Officer-in-charge of the guard was very polite and informed them that instructions were received that the delegation was not to be permitted to enter the grounds. He was, however, permitted to accept a message for His Excellency.

On the following day, said Mr. Banks, an application for an interview was sent to His Excellency through the regular channels, and on Monday, they received a reply that the Governor would grant them an interview at 6 p.m. on Tuesday.

When the Committee, with the exception of Mr. L. A. Gibson arrived at Government House they were met by His Excellency, who was accompanied by the Colonial Secretary.

## HAS NO POWER

During the course of the conference, His Excellency referred to the last paragraph of the letter sent by the Committee and said that that was a misrepresentation of the facts as he (the Governor) had not the necessary power to lift the ban against the return of women and children.

Questioned as to what action Government would take against those women and children who managed to return to the Colony illegally, the Colonial Secretary replied that Government could do nothing, went on Mr. Banks.

His Excellency was in sympathy with the work of the Committee and assured them that their letter addressed to Lord Moyne had been forwarded. He was, however, unable to endorse or recommend the return of the wives and families evacuated, at the present juncture, said Mr. Banks.

The Committee left Government House at 7 p.m.

Mr. W. V. Taylor, addressing the meeting, said that since last Thursday's meeting there had been several articles—some responsible and some irresponsible—and leaders pointing out to the fact that out of nearly 600 present at that meeting only 200-odd voted on the non-confidence motion.

The speaker then made a strong plea for unity among the husbands.

Mr. Gage, referring to the meeting with His Excellency, said that the Governor made it clear that he could do nothing here but that he might be able to do something when he arrived Home. (Voice from the hall: "But he did nothing.")

He suggested that they keep the matter before Government the whole time as well as having the Committee bearing it in mind by means of propaganda and meetings.

DIFFICULT TO CATCH

Mr. Gage dwelt at some length

on the meeting with His Excellency, and stated that the Governor pointed out the difficulty of catching those in Hongkong. (There was a reference to Lady Northcote by someone in the hall.) The Governor, went on the speaker, stated that he formerly used to issue transit passes to women and children but that, when he found that the majority of them did not keep their word to leave the Colony, he was no longer issuing these permits except to those who would keep their word.

Mr. R. J. Clarke suggested that they should wait a little bit longer until the Far Eastern situation had become clearer. The question of pressing for a public inquiry was then raised by a member of the audience.

Mr. J. Shepherd, addressing those present, said that that person took the very words out of his mouth. What he would propose, said Mr. Shepherd, was that the Committee be empowered to approach the Home Government, the Colonial Government and the Military Authorities to set up another Commission of Inquiry. The Commission, said the speaker, was not to comprise of the people of the Peak or Shek-O but people from Home. The husbands would bear the expenses, if necessary.

The Commission would conduct an inquiry into "ONE OF THE BIGGEST SCANDALS IN THE BRITISH EMPIRE," concluded the speaker.

Mr. J. Hargreaves, who has just returned from Australia after seven months' leave, described conditions prevailing down there and assured those present that nobody who had not been among the women evacuates could have any idea "of the extent of mental deterioration that had taken place" among them.

## SHOULD BE VOLUNTARY

The speaker went on to suggest that the return of the evacuates should be made voluntary or that all women and children in Hongkong should be ejected. As, however, women were needed in war work, the only alternative was to give women the option of returning to the Colony.

Mr. J. C. Dryburgh said that he was perfectly willing to shake the dust of Hongkong off his feet in three-and-a-half seconds, and proposed that the Committee adopt as their alternative policy that women should be allowed to return to Hongkong, or that men be permitted to leave the Colony.

A proposal that the Committee should ask the Hongkong Government to get Colony residents out of England to either Australia, or Hongkong, was made by Mr. Clemo. "They have no right to be in England," said the speaker, who added that they should, therefore be permitted to leave for either Australia or Hongkong.

The meeting then took up the matter of publicity, both in the Colony and at Home.

Mr. Taylor said that he had sent a friend of his who is on the staff of "John Bull," a seven-page type-written letter setting out the facts of the evacuation. He was now awaiting the reply.

## FOREIGN MAIIS

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER, 1941.

## GENERAL HOLIDAY

On Saturday, 6th Sept., the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to Noon, Sheungwan Branch Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. and the other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes as on Sundays, and one delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence at 11.30 a.m.

There will also be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11 a.m. from the Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Tai Po and Wan Chai.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

Parcel Post Service to Japan is temporarily suspended.

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

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tain seditious passages attacking the British Government, at their respective premises on June 26.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, who prosecuted, was assisted by Sgt. R. R. Ellis of the Special Branch. First defendant was represented by Mr. D. McCallum, while Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau appeared for the second defendant.

## CHARGE NOT PROVED?

In answer to the first count of printing the publication, Mr. Lau, in his submission, said that the licence of the Tai Shing Printing Press was in his client's name as a licence could not be accepted in the firm's name. Although he was the managing partner the business was left to be carried out by two employees, who